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OUTLINES.

The first surprise of the Coopers-Carmack murder trial, at Nashville, Tenn., was the filing of affidavits by the State attaching the competency of one of the six jurors chosen, claiming that he was intoxicated when accepted. No additional jurors were secured yesterday and Judge Hart announced that their would be no sessions of the court on Saturdays——The United Mine Workers of America in convention in Indianapolis, Ind., yesterday, came to the aid of the labor leaders, who were sentenced to jail by Justice Wright, by voting $2,500 for preliminary aid and as much more as necessary to carry on the fight——Ruth Bryan Leavitt, daughter of William J. Bryan has filed divorce proceedings against her husband William H. Leavitt——Otto Schuitzer, of Philadelphia, committed suicide in St. Patrick's church in Savannah, Ga. He was found with a bullet hole through his temple in an attitude of prayer——The cruiser North Carolina arrived at Charleston, S. C., yesterday in readiness to convey President-elect Taft and party to Panama——Dr. J. H. Dreher, of Wilmington, won second place and only lost the preliminary contest by a narrow margin at the Trap Shooting Tournament at Pinehurst yesterday——The House passes the Naval Appropriation bill which carries $135,000,000. The provision restoring marines to warships was stricken out——The Senate passes a joint resolution for the survey for "The Lincoln Way" from Washington to Gettysburg——Many lives are lost by floods throughout the Transvall. One mine is flooded by the bursting of a dam——Taft will leave Augusta for Charleston this morning. He has asked Messrs Knox and Hitchcock to hold a conference there with him on Sunday. He will be dined in that city Sunday and go aboard the North Carolina soon Monday morning——New York Markets: Money on call easy, at 1 1-2 to 2 per cent., ruling rate 1 3-4, closing bid 1 1-2, offered at 1 1-2. Flour steady, but quiet. Wheat steady, No. 2 red 1.08 to 1.09 elevator. Corn firm, No. 2 70 elevator. Oats steady, 54 to 54 1-2. Roson steady. Turpentine firm at 44 1-2. Cotton closed quiet, middling uplands 10.00, middling gulf 10.25.

Tennessee's Governor stood by his guns, though he knew they had been spiked.

We are betting on victory for Bonaparte in his fight with the Senate committee.

Mayor McClellan sees nothing in the socialistic tendencies of today to joke about.

Willett gained some notoriety, but little honor by his personal attack on the President.

Those who are opposed to monopolies must approve of the President's action in vetoing that water grant bill.

It is a surprise that Congress does not give extra salaries to chairmen of committees and provide them with automobiles.

If Congress back-pedals now in its contest with Roosevelt it will be in worse position than if it had never made a stand against him.

Wonder if Taft suspected what a hullaballoo he would raise in the party when he sent that Holton letter to a member of the other faction?

Roosevelt made his fling. He then shut his mouth and gave Tillman all the rope he wanted, and the latter walked right into the trap.

Now it is proposed to have State supervision of public libraries in the cities and towns. Where will this paternalism and centralization take us if it is not checked?

In speaking of the Cooper-Carmack murder trial yesterday we inadvertently spoke of it occurring in Kentucky. Our readers know, of course, that we meant Tennessee.

That was a home thrust Senator McLaurin gave the advocates of the construction of the "Lincoln Way" from the door of the Capitol to Gettysburg; but they brought it on themselves.

Messrs. Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison seem determined to go to jail. They think that by doing so they will accomplish much good for workingmen. It looks like they will be given a chance to try the experiment.

The railroad representatives did not get much satisfaction out of Governor Kitchin on the passenger rate question. As the anti-railroad men have got the roads where they want them they are likely to hold them there.

The executive and judicial officers of the nation must have bigger salaries, no matter if there is a deficit in the treasury this year and if river and harbor improvements must be checked in order that the greater salaries may be given.

HOUSE AND SENATE

Nothing of Great Importance in General Assembly During the Sessions Yesterday.

MORTON'S AUTOMOBILE BILL

May be Adopted For Many Counties. Uniform Bills of Lading—Minority Would Adjourn Feb. 20th. Other Proceedings.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 22.—Minority Leader Harshaw of the House, today served notice that he will offer tomorrow a joint resolution for an adjournment of the Assembly, February 20th, and would ask that the resolution take its place upon the calendar for immediate action.

When the House learned from Mr. Morton that that gentleman had seen many ladies stumbling about in the dimly lighted halls of the Capitol last night when a big crowd of visitors were present for the Lee Memorial exercises, and folks actually had to strike matches in the day time to read the bronze tablet commemorating the Edenton tea party, it adopted without delay a resolution by him for better illuminating the corridors and rotunda of the Capitol.

A joint resolution to pay the expenses of the Inaugural Committee, a little over a thousand dollars, was referred to the Committee on Appropriations after discussion and a vote on a division 48 to 22.

Among the new bills introduced in the House were two by Poole, of Montgomery, to amend the inheritance tax law so as to exempt lineal issue and amending the seduction law so there can be prosecution and punishment in case of desertion within five years where the parties marry.

Chairman Currie of the House Committee on Agriculture, introduced today a bill to abolish the crop pest commission and turn its duties over to the Board of Agriculture; to regulate the sale and registration of concentrated commercial feeding stuffs. This regulates the sale of condimental stock foods and medicinal powders.

A bill by Underwood, of Cumberland, provides three days of grace on sight drafts.

Bills by Representative Conner affecting banks provide that in cases of forged or raised checks the depositor must notify the bank within three months after receipt of the cancelled check in order to get the benefit of the bank's liability, and another to prevent runs on banks by punishments of derogatory statements concerning a bank.

Weaver offered a bill to require all partnership firms to file in the office of the Clerk of Court a list of names of actual persons composing the partnership.

A fish bill by Taylor, of Brunswick, takes off the non-resident tax on menhaden manufacturers when they operate in any county of the State; also a bill to amend the revisal relative to fees on not true bills returned in Brunswick and Catawba counties.

Speaker Graham introduced a bill to reduce the time for publication of notices in contested will cases from six to four weeks.

Freeman, relative to pay of commissioners of Richmond county.

Freeman, to pay special veniremen in Richmond.

Freeman, to appoint G. W. Rooker justice of the peace in Marks Creek township, Richmond.

Freeman, to empower the Commissioners of Richmond to hire convicts to commissioners of adjacent counties.

Gavin, by request, to appoint cotton weigher for Warsaw.

Smith, of Harnett, directing the commissioners of Harnett to publish statement of expenses of county.

Rodwell, relative to property of insane persons discharged from asylums.

Kendrick, to amend Revisal 2798, pay of jurors in Gaston.

Wallace, to amend Revisal 1506, time of holding courts in third district.

Amend revisal relative to bridges in Wayne county.

Amend Chapter 612, Laws 1907, relative to control of automobiles and other vehicles in certain counties, adding Anson to the act, which includes Guilford and Wayne.

Amend Revisal 5313, relative to State boundaries. It allows the Governor to bring actions directly in the Supreme Court of the United States in disputed cases in the Smoky Mountain region.

S. B., to amend Revisal 1207 relative to dissolution of corporations so that when judgment of the court winds up an insolvent corporation, it is thereby dissolved without going through the form laid down for dissolution.

Morton's substitute bill for the management and control of automobiles and other vehicles in New Hanover came up and amendments were adopted, adding Transylvania, Lincoln, Franklin, Johnston, Northampton, Rutherford, Robeson, Haywood, Stokes, Perquimans and Jones. So many members desired to include their counties, but wanted to hear from home first that the bill was allowed to go over.

The House adjourned to Saturday

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CAMPAIGN WAS SUCCESS

Wilmington People Loyal in Their Pledges of Support to the Local Y. M. C. A.—Enthusiastic Gathering Last Night.

An enthusiastic rally of all the forces last night at 10 o'clock, following two other meetings at the building during the day, marked the successful close of the campaign which has been relentlessly waged during the past five days in support of the local Young Men's Christian Association, the needs of which were strongly presented from many Wilmington pulpits and the platform of the Academy of Music upon the occasion of Rally Day exercises held last Sunday.

"Thirty-five Hundred Dollars in Five Days" was the slogan and it was reported last night that with the assurance of friendly interest from several who are out of the city or who for other good reasons have not yet been seen, that the goal has been reached. The big thermometer at the building yesterday was sizzling and the mercury went up by leaps and bounds as if on a Mid-Summer day. Over $800 in pledges were received during the day and other assurances are given that mean that the Association is again upon its feet and the work will now be carried on with more zeal and encouragement than ever before. Wilmington people have been loyal in their contributions and the zeal and energy of the active workers in the campaign has known no bounds.

The campaign has extended over five days, beginning with rally day exercises last Sunday when distinguished visitors spoke in the interest of the movement at the city churches with a final gathering at the Academy of Music on Sunday afternoon, where the campaign was formally announced.

At the close of the second day's work $2,587 had been pledged, leaving a balance of $913 to be raised yesterday. The workers reported 58 pledges at the 1 o'clock meeting with $575 added to the fund; at the 6:30 o'clock meeting 35 new pledges were announced with $212 more, making a total of $787. Before the close of the campaign at 10 o'clock, quite a few had subscribed to the fund, and while the entire $3,500 was pledged, with the exception of less than $50, the final amount was withheld in order that a number of friends of the Association who have consented to contribue may be given the opportunity of sending in their pledges.

The young men's teams reported the following amounts yesterday: Captain W. S. McDiarmid, $91.50; Captain O. W. Lewis, $10; Captain F. W. Burkhardt, $55.50. The remainder was raised by volunteer subscriptions and the business men's committee.

The gathering at the Association building was characterized by intense interest and a feeling of pride at the success of the campaign. The meeting was presided over by Mr. L. B. Rogers and those who responded with short speeches were Messrs. H. W. Malloy, W. W. Koch, K. W. Price, J. A. McGeachy, H. G. Fennell, L. D. Latta, F. G. Coleman, Drs. Joseph Akerman and J. G. Murphy, Secretary Kettle, and W. T. Perkins, who directed the campaign.

PRETTY CHURCH RECEPTION

Immanuel Congregation Entertains in Most Delightful Manner.

The reception last evening from 8 to 11 o'clock by the congregation of Immanuel Presbyterian Church complimentary to the choir, the superintendent and teachers of the Sunday School, was a most delightful affair in every respect. The formal exercises took place in the church auditorium and after devotional exercises there was a pleasing address by Rev. J. S. Crowley, the beloved pastor, and Colonel Walker Taylor, whose grandfather gave the first lot for the building of the church. Colonel Taylor's subject was "Church Loyalty" and the theme was developed interestingly, and entertainingly. With the speakers on the platform was Superintendent, W. Little, of the school.

After the exercises in the church the guests were bidden to the kindergarten room where the guests of honor received members of the congregation and music, refreshments and other pleasing features were enjoyed by all. The work at Immanuel is in fine condition and a great work is being done through the instrumentality of that church.

George Silvia Arrested Again.

George Silvia, the young white man of Jamaica Ginger fame, is again in the toils for drunkenness, having been taken in tow by Officer Alex. Well last night about 9:30 o'clock on Second, between Market and Princess streets. George says that his jag on this occasion was produced by liquor ordered from Portsmouth, Va.

—Kinston Free Press, 21st: "Mr. Henry E. Bonitz, of Wilmington, Grand Regent of the Royal Arcanum, will be in Kinston tomorrow night, and address the members of Caswell Council, No. 640, at 7:30 o'clock, in the Canady Building. There will be a social smoker afterwards. All members urgently requested to attend."

You can buy ten yards 10c bleaching for 75c Monday at Rehder's. **

THE DAY IN COURT

Number of Cases of Minor Importauce Disposed of During Two Sessions Yesterday.

CHARGE AGAINST MR. KENAN

Jury Out All Night and Unable to Reach Verdict in Shooting Case. Several Sentences to the Roads For Various Offences.

Again yesterday there were no cases of special public interest in the Superior Court, though two sessions were held, continuing until 6 o'clock yesterday evening when a recess was taken until 9:30 A. M. today. During the afternoon the grand jury returned a true bill against George Wilson, colored, charged with attempted criminal assault upon a member of his race, but no other matters of interest came up from the room below.

The first case tried was that of James Sanders, a negro charged with shooting indiscriminately, if not wilfully and wantonly, into an A. C. L. train on the yards in this city, coming dangerously near wounding Engineer M. H. Brandt. He was also charged with carrying a concealed weapon, the two cases having been consolidated and the defendant having been found guilty and sentenced to eight months on the roads.

A charge of selling liquor to a minor against Mr. A. A. Nathan, proprietor of the Ocean View Hotel bar at Wrightsville Beach, the alleged sale having been by a clerk in the employ of Mr. Nathan, was taken up and the defendant entered a plea of nolo contendere, which was accepted by the State and upon recommendation of George Rountree, Esq., counsel for citizens prosecuting with the State, judgment was suspended on payment of costs.

A case of larceny against Sis Baldwin, a notorious colored woman, was called and a jury empanelled, but witnesses failing to appear, by order of court, a juror was withdrawn and a mistrial was had. Defendant excepted and a nol pros with leave was then entered.

James Edwards, a negro charged with shooting another with a rifle, was found guilty of an assault with a deadly weapon, but it having been represented to Judge Allen by Brooke G. Empie, Esq., his counsel, that the defendant had been in jail four and a half months, his sentence was made four months on the roads.

After a trial of some length, Frank Onslow, colored, charged with robbing another negro of a pair of shoes while he lay drunk on Christmas eve night, the solicitor anounced that he would not ask for a verdict of guilty and the prisoner, who was represented by Brooke G. Empie and L. Clayton Grant, Esqs., was discharged.

J. H. Smith, colored, charged with running a disorderly house, was represented by George L. Peschau, Esq., and was found not guilty.

Richard Singleton, an afflicted negro previously convicted of larceny by trick, was given six months in jail with leave to the commissioners to hire him out to pay costs. Elsie Allen, colored, charged with an assault with a deadly weapon, was found not guilty and discharged.

Cain Berry, colored, was found guilty of non support of his wife and children, but when he was called up for sentence late in the afternoon after his conviction, he made charges against his wife and pending an investigation of these to guide His Honor in providing the measure of punishment, judgment was left open. Cain professed a playmate acquaintance with the Solicitor, when the latter recognized him just before he was sentenced and said he was sorry he hadn't recognized his "old chum" before.

Perhaps the case of greatest interest during the afternoon was that in which Mr. Thomas Kenan, of East Wilmington, was charged with shooting Mr. H. H. Rivenbark, when the latter with two ladies were engaged last Fall in gathering chinquepins on the defendant's place near the city, particulars of which are well remembered. Mr. Kenan was represented by Brooke G. Empie, Esq., and claimed that he was shooting not with the purpose of injuring anyone, but of frightening them off. F. W. Bonitz, Esq., appeared with the State and after a strong fight on both sides, the jury retired about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. They had reached no verdict when a recess for the day was taken at 6 o'clock yesterday evening and no agreement was reported during the night, the jury still being locked up in the Court House. A verdict or mistrial is expected to result when court convenes this morning.

Strawberries on the Market.

Native grown strawberies have made their appearance on the local market. A number of quarts from Rocky Point were offered yesterday at 37 1-2 cents per quart retail. Next week it is expected berries will be coming in quite lively.

The Le Grand.

All new and up-to-date pictures for today. Christmas in Paradise Alley. Slippery Jim's Repentance. His One Best Pet. Plucky Young Woman. Partin & Wells. **

MR. JOHN H. CRAIG DEAD

Passed Away Early Yesterday Morning in Charlotte Following Stroke of Paralysis—Remains Brought Here For Interment.

A telegram early yesterday morning conveyed to the family and a large circle of friends in this city the sad news of the death of Mr. John H. Craig, a son of the late John Craig, of Wilmington, and of Mrs. Virginia Craig, now residing here.

Following a stroke of paralysis on Tuesday morning, Mr. Craig passed away at 5 o'clock yesterday at his home in Charlotte, N. C., where for the past several months he had been connected with the offices of the Standard Oil Company. Accompanied by the grief-stricken wife and friends, the remains arrived here on the early morning train over the Seaboard Air Line train today and were taken to the home of his brother, Mr. Joseph F. Craig, No. 402 North Ninth street, whence the funeral will be conducted at 11 o'clock this morning by Rev. Fred D. Hale, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist Church, and the interment will be in Bellevue cemetery. The pall-bearers from the train to the residence were Messrs. L. M. LeGwin, W. A. McGowan, W. Z. Burruss, D. K. LeGwin, G. W. Branch and John A. Orrell, the latter having accompanied the remains from Charlotte.

With the exception of several years residence in Elberton, Ga., and the past few months in Charlotte, Mr. Craig had lived nearly all his life in this city and he was held in high esteem by all. He was a most competent bookkeeper and accountant and his genial, kindly presence was always a source of pleasure among his friends. Mr. Craig was in the 52nd year of his age and is survived by his wife, his aged mother, Mrs. Virginia Craig, of this city; one brother, Mr. Jos. F. Craig, of Wilmington, and one sister, Mrs. A. E. Galvin, of Raleigh. The bereaved ones have the tenderest sympathy of all in their sorrow.

LATE JAMES W. MONROE

Letters of Sympathy From Organizations to Which he Belonged.

The following letters received by the venerable parents of the late Jas. W. Monroe attest the high esteem in which the deceased was held by the organizations named:

"Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 20th 1909.

"Mr. and Mrs. John W. Monroe, Venerable and Respected Parents of our Late Companion, James W. Monroe, City:

"At the regular convocation of the Chapter of Royal Arch Masons held Monday evening, the death of our beloved companion was announced with profound sorrow and the secretary was requested to write to you and express our sincere sympathy with you in these hours of grief. We hope that it will be some consolation to you to know in what esteem he was held by us, as he was undoubtedly by all the fraternities to whom he was known as well as the entire community. We believe that he is in the state of the ever blessed, when he will meet and greet you when you too have been called to our true home 'for here we have no continuing city.' With sincere respect, I am yours truly,

"W. A. MARTIN,

"Secretary, Concord Chapter, No. 1, R. A. M."

"Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 18th 1909.

"Mr. John W. Monroe, Wilmington, N. C.

"My Dear Mr. Monroe: The Young Men's Bible Class of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Sabbath School requested me as its leader to extend the sympathy of the class to you and family in your present distress. At the same time we wish to express our appreciation of the long and faithful interest your son always manifested in the life and work in the school as shown by his presence and co-operation. Doubtless all other officers and members of the school join us heartily in the expression of the sympathy they feel. Wishing you and yours Gold's blessings in this hour of need, I remain, yours truly,

"JOSEPH AKERMAN."

NEW JR. O. U. A. M. COUNCIL.

State Deputy and Wilmington Team Returned Yesterday at Noon.

State Deputy Organizer Nathan J. Williams and a team from the Wilmington councils composed of Messrs. Moore, Hocutt, Rourk and H. W. Howell, returned yesterday from Mayesville, N. C., where on Thursday night they instituted Mayesville Council No. 276, Jr., O. U. A. M., with a charter membership of 26 of the leading citizens of that thriving little town. The visitors were handsomely entertained while in Mayesville and speak in the highest terms of their reception there. The new council is officered as follows: L. T. Gillette, past councilor; M. H. Tucker, councilor; J. W. Parker, vice councilor; G. P. Rogers, chaplain; K. F. Foscue, recording secretary; W. M. Eubons, financial secretary; N. A. Worsley, treasurer; Henry Watson, conductor, and R. A. LaRoque, warden.

South American Vessel Here.

The Uruguan steamer Ordunte Mendi, Capt. Eschevarrie, is the first vessel of that nationality to arrive in this port this season. The steamer has a net tonnage of 2,536 and comes to Alexander Sprunt & Son from Philadelphia to receive a cargo of cotton for foreign markets.

SPECIAL SCHOOL TAX

Chairman Rountree, of Board of Education, Addresses Letter to Mr. Morton.

QUESTION OF MAINTENANCE

Can See No Objection to Letting People Say Whether They Want to Pay Special Tax For Maintenance of Educational System.

Prefacing the same with the statement that it is impossible for him to see how anyone who believes in a Democratic government can object to letting the people say whether they want to pay a special tax or close the public schools, Chairman George Rountree, of the County Board of Education, yesterday gave out for publication a letter to Representative Geo. L. Morton in controversion of his action in introducing in the Legislature a bill to amend an act of the last session of the General Assembly under which it was proposed to submit to the people of the county, the question of a small additional tax for the maintenance of the schools of the city and county.

It will be recalled that Mr. Morton stated that he had had the former bill passed under a misapprehension that the money was to be spent solely for new buildings and not maintenance of the schools and Mr. Rountree's letter is as follows:

Hon. Geo. L. Morton, House of Representatives, Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Sir:

I enclose you a clipping which I cut from this morning's Star, and I infer that somebody has been endeavoring to prejudice you against the efforts of the Board of Education, the County Commissioners and the other school authorities to keep open our public schools.

You properly say that you had talked over the matter of this bill with me fully, and that at that time our main purpose was to provide means for building fire-proof school houses in the city and four or five graded schools in the rural districts. You agreed with me that it was only a question of time, and that a very short time, before we would have to provide other school houses for the children of the city, and that the country children ought to have school facilities, so far as the grammar schools were concerned, equal to the city schools. You also understood, I think, that the fifteen cents in the hundred dollars would provide, not only for the sinking fund, and the interest on the bonds, if issued, but that it would give us ten or twelve thousand dollars additional with which to maintain the schools, and which was greatly needed by reason of the increasing number of children to be provided for each year—and mainly white children.

That a special tax was to be levied appears in the title of the Act; that the tax was not only for the bonds but for "maintaining and supporting the public school system in said county" appears in the very first Section of the Act; and Section 7 provides, that, if the election goes in favor of bonds and special tax, until the bonds are called for, the special tax may be used for the support of the schools; and in several places in the Act, it appears that the Board of Education has the option to call for the bonds when it sees fit.

It has been over two years since you and I discussed this question, but the preparation of the Act was made after a full conference with the school authorities, including city and as many rural committeemen as we could get, and Mr. Hector Green, and the general understanding was in accordance with the provisions of the Act, as they appear, and I think a little reflection will recall the matter to your mind.

If there had been no loss of revenue by the loss of the liquor tax, it would still have been necessary to raise additional revenue to support the schools, because there are many more than one hundred additional white pupils enrolled in the schools every year, and we have scarcely had sufficient room for those we had enrolled and in attendance two years ago. But when the prohibition bill deprived the school fund of the twelve or fifteen thousand dollars in liquor taxes, it produced an immediate crisis, and the school authorities are compelled to have more money or shut up the schools.

You have always been a friend and supporter of the schools since I have been connected with them, and I have no idea that you are going to change your attitude now, when you fully understand the situation.

Whatever our opinion about the advisability of prohibition, no patriotic citizen of New Hanover county, I think, will be willing to see one backward step taken in the education of our children. As you know, we have had as fine schools as any in the State, and up to the present time, there has not been, as I am informed, a single cent of money raised therefor from a special tax, and every other county that has such schools has raised the

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SEAWELL'S FRIENDS UNEASY.

The disperate efforts that Duncan and other friends of Seawell are making to have his nomination to the Judgeship confirmed at this session of Congress shows how fearful they are that if the matter goes over Taft will not reappoint him, but will give the office to some one else.

Reports from Washington indicate that Seawell's friends are making a harder fight for confirmation than they had to make to get the appointment for him, and the indications are that they will not be as successful. There are Senators of his own party who oppose his confirmation on the ground that he does not possess the proper qualifications for the office. Those Senators will, of course, oppose the nomination being considered at this session, in the belief that the new President will take such postponement of action as indicating the Senators' opposition to the appointee and will not insist on an issue with that body by again sending in his name.

Seawell's nomination before being acted upon will be referred to the Judiciary Committee, of which Senator Overman is a member. That committee, if it follows the rule generally adopted in such cases, will appoint a sub-committee to consider the appointment and to hear statements for and against confirmation. As it is an appointment for Senator Overman's State it is most probable that he will be a member of the sub-committee, and when consideration of the appointment is taken up in committee will be the time for him to act. It is not probable that either he or Senator Simmons will take any action in the matter before that time, but we feel sure that both can be counted on to do all in their power to secure postponement until the next session of the Senate, for the purpose of giving the new President opportunity to send in the name of the man of his choice. If the appointment is given to Taft he will look to the qualifications of the man, and not be governed by the wishes of the political bosses as seems to have been the case with Roosevelt in appointing Seawell, thereby insuring the appointment of a man better qualified for the office.

FOR STATE LEGALIZED PRIMARY.

Hon. A. S. Dockery will introduce his bill for a State legalized primary in the Senate today. He does not construe the fact that the platform of the last State convention did not contain a plank favoring the primary to mean that public sentiment in the party is against it, and he calls attention to the fact that both the retiring and the in-coming Governor declared in favor of it. All of this may be true, but Mr. Dockery will find much opposition to his bill both in the Legislature and outside of that body. There are strong arguments on both sides of the question, and if such a bill is passed it will be after a hard fight. The greatest opposition will come from those sections of the State where there is little difference in the strengh of the two parties, the Democrats in those localities fearing that the new system will cause such dissatisfaction in our party as to put the Republicans in the majority. But all the opposition will not come from Democrats in such sections. In those counties where the Democrats have overwhelming majorities, where nominations amount to election, primaries tend to reduce the Democratic vote at the polls, thereby lessening the representation of such counties in State and district conventions.

There should be no effort to rush this bill through. It should be published all over the State so the members of the party may have opportunity to become well acquainted with its provisions and to consider them pro and con.

FREQUENCY OF INCENDIARY FIRES.

Incendiaries are getting in their work all over the State. Hardly a day passes that the papers do not contain an account of some farmer losing his barn, his corn crib or his ginhouse by fire started by some criminal in the dead hours of the night. This is a crime easily committed and with little fear of detection, especially in the rural districts. The culprit under cover of the night and while the owner and his family are sleeping scundly, creeps up to his outhouse, applies a match to a bundle of straw and is far away from the scene of his crime before the fire has made progress enough to attract attention. There should be some remedy for this evil state of affairs, but where the chances of being detected are so small it will be hard to put a stop to the perpetration of this crime. The certainty of detection and punishment is a greater deterrent to crime than severity of punishment when detected. Where the chances of detection are small the punishment on detection should be made correspondingly severe. In this way only can this class of crimes be dealt with and every one convicted of burning a house should receive the full punishment prescribed.

NO NEW DIVORCE LAWS.

We are glad to see that the House of Representatives seems inclined, not only to refuse to pass the pending bill to increase the causes for divorce, but also to repeal the cause that was added to existing ones by the last Legislature. We hope a return will be made to the law as contained in the Code. Representatives of the different religious denominations in the State did good work in procuring reform in our divorce laws a few years ago. Remembering their success then they should renew the fight against the attack being made at this session on the law as restricted in the Code. We hope they will use their influence to have passed the substitute bill introduced by Speaker Graham to repeal the act of 1907. That law should not have been passed, and it would be a greater mistake to pass the one now pending which enlarges the provisions of that law. It is all wrong for the Legislature to pass divorce laws to fit individual cases, as are most of the acts which add causes for divorce to those already existing. It opens the door to loose legislation on the subject and, besides, it is in reality a subterfuge for getting around the provision of the State Constitution which prohibits the granting of divorces by the Legislature.

NEW MOVE IN WORK HOURS.

The Curtis Publishing Company, of Philadelphia, which publishes the Ladies' Home Journal and the Saturday Evening Post, has started a new plan as an experiment, with its employes. It has made forty-eight hours constitute a week's work; and those forty-eight hours of work are not spun out through the whole week, but are limited to the first five days, there being no work in the mechanical department on Saturdays. By this plan the employes in this department will have two whole days consecutively for rest and recreation. Other concerns will watch this experiment with a great deal of interest, and if it is found to work well the plan will be adopted by many of them.

Dr. McKelway draws a pretty dark picture of his section of the country. Remembering the gross error he made some time ago in giving figures on the subject of child labor in a certain Southern State, one would think he would be very careful about stating alleged facts on this subject.

If this Legisture can produce will power enough to give the State an equal showing with defendants in selecting jurors in capital cases maybe it can muster up enough courage to protect sheep raisers against worthless curs.

There must be something serious in the Japan-California situation or fear that there will be should that State's Legislature insist on passing the pending bills. The President is evidently very anxious that there should be no such legislation.

We can't see how the Georgians can be accused of playing 'possum with Taft, for they are the lives and most lively crowd which has buzzed around a President-elect in many a year.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—Now the people of Anderson, S. C., show how this reception act can be truly played. They assure Mr. Taft that they would gladly entertain him, and they appreciate his kind words for the South, but they "are loyal to their principles and traditions." Just so; how many Rhodeses and Graveses can be found in the South? And what are they when found?—Florida Times-Union.

—Mr. Taft voiced the sentiment and judgment of thoughtful and conservative people of the Southern States when he administered a mild rebuke to Senator Tillman for opposing compulsory education in South Carolina on no better ground than it encouraged education of the Negro. Ignorance is the most blighting curse that can afflict any people, and the fact that the Negroes are a detriment to the South rather than a resource and a means of development and progress grows out of the ignorance that prevails among them as a people. More than that. Ignorance is the fastering source of the viciousness and crime which fills the penitentiaries and jails of the South, putting a burden upon the tax-payers and a stigma upon the section.—Petersburg Index-Appeal.

—We are in receipt of an announcement of "a Southern negro anti-saloon congress" which is to be held in Atlanta, February 24 to 26. It is announced that "many prominent negro speakers will be present to deliver addresses and many distinguished white gentlemen from all parts of the South will also deliver addresses." It is hoped to make the meeting "an epoch in the history of the negro race in the South" and the promoters of the congress declare that "we are determined to prove to our worthy white friends that we are as profoundly concerned in the great moral movement as any others." It would be a most excellent thing if the leaders of the negro race could inculcate in their people the practice of temperance. The negro is ill-suited temperamentally to strong drink.—Columbia State.

—If there is a genuine substratum of truth in the latest Pittsburg scandal, the trail of the serpent of corruption has besmeared the very altars of the sanctuaries in that modern Gomorrah. Four clergymen are accused by a brother minister of having been bribed to advocate a certain candidate for the Mayoralty from their pulpits. The press report alleges that there were several witnesses to the transaction, who heard the bargain made and saw each of the reverend hypocrites receive the price of his prostitution of the sacred office—a paltry one hundred dollars! Since Judas betrayed his Master for filthy lucre the story is not absolutely incredible, yet we are loth to accept it until fully verified. Some things are too shocking either for calm contemplation or adequate comment. There is a depth of human degradation than which no lower depths exist.—Virginian-Pilot.

—There is a pleasing prospect of an all-around settlement of Venezuelan foreign relations. Auspicious progress toward such an end is being made in Europe, and even more than that may be said of the negotiations with the United States. It would not be rash to regard it as now practically certain that normal relations between this country and Venezuela will speedily be re-established, with a prospect of their permanent maintenance to the substantial benefit of both nations. We may add that this happy solution of long vexing problems is due primarily and chiefly to the departure and deposition of Mr. Castro from the dictatorship. While he was supreme such a settlement was practically impossible. The moment he was out of the way Venezuela prepared to come to terms—which does not mean, of course, supine acceptance of conditions arbitrarily dictated by other powers, but rather a mutual agreement between Venezuela and her neighbors to seek a settlement on terms of justice to both sides.—New York Tribune.

—It would be unjust to Mr. Taft, and it would raise false hopes in the South, to give this declaration on the vitally important matter a meaning which is not fairly deducible from his language. But if the statement which we quote above means that in making appointments to the office in the South, Mr. Taft will not select men whose presence in official positions would be objectionable to the great majority of the white people of that section, we think it is not an unreasonable conclusion that Mr. Taft will appoint no negroes to important offices in the Southern States. He does not say this in so many words, but we believe that this is the interpretation of his language which will prevail in the South. The political advantage which Mr. Taft's party would derive from the policy of putting in office men whose presence in official positions would not create among the white residents in Southern communities a "sense of allienism in the government" might not result in a political revolution in the South, but it would strengthen the confidence of the South in the practical wisdom of Mr. Taft.—Baltimore Sun.

TWINKLINGS.

—"Do you think they can keep up the interest in ballooning?" "That's about all."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

—Bulzer—Pennster told me that the best magazines were clamoring for his contiobutions...Knolorham—No wonder; he writes full page adds.—Lippincott's.

—"Here's a million for your campaign fund." "Hah!" exclaimed manager, "plutocracy tempts me!" He thought for an instant. "Thanks," he added. "I fall."—Philadelphia Ledger.

—"Why are you always quarreling with your wife?" "She is always arguing with me." "But you need not get angry. Just explain to her in a gentle tone where she is wrong." 'But she is never wrong."—Washington Opinion.

—Lady Patron—Mr. Photographer, which view of me do you think would be the most pleasing? Photographer—Madam, if you would not take offense—Lady Patron—Not in the least. Photographer—Then I should say a—er back view, madam.—Bohemian.

—Gentleman (arising in street car)—Won't you take my seat, madame? The suffragette—No, sir, I will not! You are entitled to it until such time as we women have something to say about the framing of laws governing public conveyances.—Puck.

—Mrs. McSosh—You're very fond of your club, aren't you, dear? Mr. McSosh—Yes, m'dear—estremely fond of it. Mrs. McSosh—Then I think you'd be more careful of its reputation. Why don't you blame your condition on a theatre party or something you don't care about?—Cleveland Leader.

—"I don't know much about the politics of your country," remarked the visiting Englishman, "but I have read of your politicians. Mr. Bryan belongs to what is known as the Democratic Party, does he not?" "No, sir," answered the man with the bulging brows. "What is known as the Democratic Party belongs to Mr. Bryan."—Chicago Tribune.

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"Now, the man paying 20 cents for his tiny glass of cordial after dinner is entitled to have it free from imperfections. If he bought a bottle of wine with that flavor, he would say the wine was bad, for ninety men out of a hundred know nothing about bad corks. He would want another bottle of wine or his money refunded, and he would be right.

"The defect is in a tiny worm in the cork that is often invisible to the man cutting corks and sometimes cannot be seen after the cork is drawn. A customer will taste the wine and say, 'Bad wine.' You explain about the cork, and he will say: 'Impossible That was a beautiful cork—beautiful! And yet we know that the contents of the bottle never could have that flavor under other conditions.

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MRS. ANDREW JOHNSON.

The Life In Washington Was Not a Happy Time For Her.

Mrs. Johnson was so much of an invalid that outside of intimate family friends very few knew her. She appeared only twice in public during her husband's administration. Still, her influence was a strong one, and it was exerted in the direction of toleration and gentleness. A slight movement of her hands, a touch on her husband's arm, a "Now, Andrew," made it easy to see that the woman who had helped him through his struggling youth and given her health to his service, who had taught him to write and had read to him through long winter evenings in the little tailor shop that his active mind might be fed while he was practicing his trade still held her place in his life. She was a sweet faced woman who showed traces of beauty through the sharpened lines caused by the old fashioned consumption which was wearing her out. Her face was not unlike that of the late Mrs. McKinley. The death of her eldest son was a blow from which she never fully recovered. The life in Washington was not a happy time for her. She told me herself that she was far more content when her husband was an industrious young tailor.—William H Crook in Century.

Nubar Pasha and the Pipes.

Soon after the occupation of Cairo by the British troops the late Nubar Pasha took a prodigious fancy to the music of the Black Watch and had the idea of having a servant taught the use of the bagpipes. Nubar dispatched a French friend, who spoke English very well, to interview a piper on the subject.

Donald replied: "Weel, he micht learn or he micht no'. Bit, let me tell ye, it needs wind an' mickle strength tae fill the bags o' the pipes an' keep blawin'. Sae if yin o' thae Egyptian chaps took the job on he'd need tae be bandaged a' ow're like yin o' thae auld mummies, or maybe he'd burst him sel'."

This conversation was reported to Nubar, who took the piper's remarks seriously. So he gave up the idea of having a skirler attached to his household, as the use of the bagpipes was attended with the prospect of such danger to the performer.

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Men's and Women's heavy weight Shoes. To make room for low cut Shoes coming in I will give a great reduction on the Winter stock. Our Men's $5.00 Crossetts Shoes we will sell for $3.98 a pair. Crossetts $4.00 Shoes I will sell for $3.25 a pair. Durlaps $5.00 Shoes I will sell for $3.95 per pair. Our great line of $3.00 and $3.50 Beacon shoes I will give reduction of 5 per cent on those. Our line of $1.75 Shoes I will sell for $1.50. Our Shoe stock was never so large as it is now, and to reduce the stock we have walked in with the Battle-Axe and cut down the price. Ladies Winter-weight and Children's Winter-weight Shoes are cut down in proportion.

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A Traceless Poison

[Original.]

Having been summoned as an expert in chemistry in the Nolan case, I concluded my testimony with the remark, "A person desiring to kill another would be more likely to use a poison that would leave no trace," whereupon the prosecuting attorney asked me if there was such a poison. I having replied that there was, he asked me to name it. The judge forbade me to do so. The prosecutor insisted, but the judge was immovable. He would not permit me to name publicly a poison that would leave no trace.

Immediately after my testimony was published I was deluged with letters inquiring the name of the poison that left no trace. Most of them doubtless came from idle curiosity, but I was astonished at the number of those which showed plainly, from the pains the writers took to conceal their identity, that they were written for an evil purpose.

One day I received a call from a woman who asked for the secret. She said she had made a bet with her brother, who was a scientist, of $1,000 that there was such a poison, and she desired to prove it to him by trying it on a dog. If I would give her the name or the poison and she won she would give me half the amount.

I questioned her, then, going into another room, returned with a tiny pill, which I gave her, saying that if it killed the dog and left no trace she might refer her brother to me for evidence that she had won the bet. When she left I sent a housemaid to follow her, who brought me her address. Sending for a detective, I directed him to establish some sort of a watch on the house where she lived, to shadow her when she went out and report to me any case of illness that might occur to any one with whom she might be connected.

In a few days my man reported that the lady's husband had died suddenly. It had been given out that he had suffered an apoplectic stroke and had not lived an hour after.

I was thunderstruck. I alone knew the nature of the pill I had given the woman, and of course she would keep the secret. Nevertheless I was very much troubled at the result. I directed the detective to keep her under strict surveillance. Later he reported to me that she had visited the office of a life insurance company. Upon inquiry he had learned that her husband had been insured for $50,000. I hurried to the insurance office, called on the president and advised him before paying the claim to make sure that there was no trickery connected with it. But I would answer no questions.

The next I heard of the case was that upon examination of the body—exhumed for the purpose—it was discovered that it was the remains of the brother of the man insured. The insured himself had disappeared. Payment was refused, and the woman was arrested on a charge of fraud, to which was added a charge of murder.

The body of the deceased was given over to physicians with a view to discovering if the man had died a natural death. One reported apoplexy as the cause, another heart trouble and another kidney disease. Three different experts reported three different poisons found in the body. There was opium, arsenic and one other, the name of which I have forgotten. I was summoned as a witness for the prosecution and produced a sensation by refusing to testify on the ground of self incrimination.

Afterward I consented to give my evidence. I informed the court of the woman's visit to me, of her request for a poison that would leave no trace and the use she proposed to make of it. Then I told them that I had given her the pill. At this point a technical objection was interposed by the defendant's counsel, and the judge sustained him. I was forbidden to tell what was in the pill, the reason being that it had not been proved that the pill had been used. This left me in a very unfortunate position.

After a long trial the woman was acquitted of the charge of murder, and the charge of fraud was never pressed. The prosecution had failed to prove she knew that the man who was buried was her husband's brother or that she had poisoned him. Her counsel contrived to throw all the blame on her husband, who had disappeared.

After her acquittal the woman came to see me. She was curious to know if I had been deceived by her story about the bet and if I had really given her a traceless pill. Before replying I asked her to explain the case to me, and, after a solemn promise on my part to keep her secret, she did so.

Her husband's life was largely insured, and since they were an ill mated couple she resolved to poison him. Just as she was about to give him the pill I had furnished her her husband's brother came to the house for a visit. His health had been broken down by excesses, especially drugs that he had taken in large quantities. While at their house he suddenly died, probably of heart failure. The woman proposed to her husband that he disappear and his brother, who resembled him closely, be buried in his stead. This was done.

I told her she would find an explanation of my part in the matter in the paper the next morning.

My explanation recited my experiences as to a traceless poison and my desire to make a test case. The whole filled two columns, at the end of which I gave the contents of the pill I had given the woman.

It was made of bread.

HAROLD OTIS

THE SCOURING RUSH.

A Queer Plant That Can Be Changed Into a Mineral.

The scouring rush, Equisetum hiemale, is an interesting plant which has been put to practical use. In old times its hollow, flinty stems were in great repute for kitchen cleaning purposes. The stems are hollow and are easily separated at the joints. If one would satisfy himself as to the peculiar property that first suggested the use of this rush for scouring purposes he has only to draw a joint across the edge of his teeth to find it like a file.

A very pretty chemical experiment is frequently made with the rush. If one takes a small vial of nitric acid into which any ordinary lead is immersed he will quickly see it dissolve, literally eaten up by the acid. But what does the scouring rush do under such circumstances?

Immediately upon its introduction to the acid the sizzling process begins. The green pulp of the stem is gradually consumed, the tube, however, still retaining its shape, becoming paler and paler in color until after a few hours the specimen is transformed into a pure white alabaster-like column which defies any further attack from the acid.

On taking it from the vial and washing it carefully in running water the operator holds in his hands a beautiful tube of pure, glassy flint, or silex, an object of great microscopic beauty of construction. The scouring rush is no longer a vegetable, but a mineral, and in observing its skeleton of stone the secret of its utility as a scouring brush is easily understood.—New York Tribune.

DUTCH STREET CARS.

The Conductor Carries More Documents Than a Congressman.

Countries may be known by their street cars. The rush and jar of our big cities are exemplified in the rapid, rude transit of its inhabitants. So the character of orderly little Holland may be gathered from observation of her car service. Says J. U. Higinbotham in "Three Weeks in Holland and Belgium:"

Street car fare in Holland is 3 cents a trip, and for 4 cents you receive a return ticket. The conductor carries more documents than a congressman. For every fare he opens an aluminium box about 4 by 6 and hands out a receipt or a return ticket, as the case may be.

When the passengers pay their tickets he places the tickets in a leather pouch hung by a strap round his neck. It is important that you retain the receipt given you, for at uncertain intervals a "controlleur" gets on the car and examines all receipts, puts his O. K. on them with a rubber stamp and compares the result with the manifest or log carried by the conductor. It is quite the correct thing to tip the conductor with a Dutch cent or two.

Each car has a card inside stating how many places there are, and on each platform is another saying how many people may stand thereon. When the seats and both platforms are full the sign "Vol" is put up and no more are permitted to get aboard. Our car probably had thirty people in it and on the platforms and was turning business away at every crossing.

Color.

Of the light rays that fall upon an object some are taken up by the object and others are reflected. It is to the reflected rays that we are to turn for the explanation of color. For instance, a sheet of white paper is "white" because all the seven kinds of light are reflected from its surface, while the sunflower is "yellow" because, when light falls on it the violet, indigo, blue and green rays are selected for absorption, and yellow principally is reflected. The reflective rays, received by the eye, produce the sensation of color. This is an explanation of nearly all the colors that exist.

Poison Hemlock.

Water hemlock is a deadly plant common in most country neighborhoods. Its roots are eaten often in spring by mistake for some edible root, and death frequently results. Cattle are often poisoned by drinking water in marshes where it grows. The poison hemlock from which the Greeks made poisons is a near relative to the water hemlock. It stands from two to seven feet high and has clusters of small white flowers and large, parsleylike leaves. The stalk, being hollow, is often made into whistles by country boys, and many children are poisoned in this fashion.

Handicapped.

"What profession do you think our boy Joe had better adopt?" asked Mrs Brown.

"I dunno," answered her husband. "Joe is rather handicapped by circumstances. The only profession he's naturally adapted to is that of a capitalist, and I don't quite see where he's goin' to get the money."

A Tip.

"Look as if you was feelin' pretty good today, James," said the first waiter.

"Yes, tiptop," replied the other.

"Some streak o' luck maybe?"

"Yes; tiptop tip."—Kansas City Independent.

An Empty Form.

Little Willie—Say, pa, what does it signify when one woman kisses another? Pa—About as much as when one man in business calls another "old chap," my son.—Stray Stories.

It requires little exertion upon our part to bring misfortune upon ourselves.—Menander.

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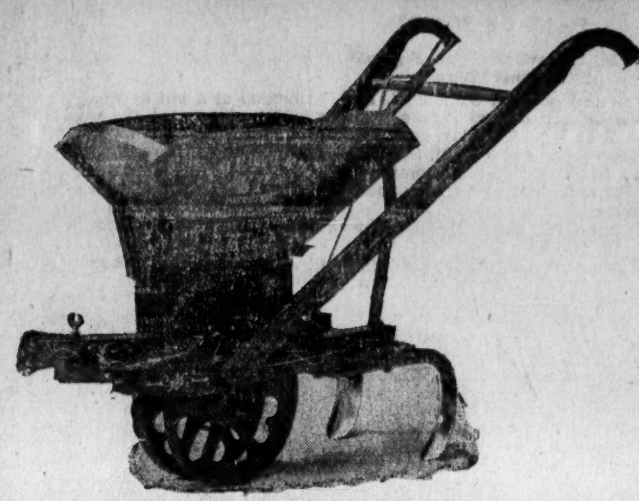

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Saturday, January 23, 1909.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 23. 1909.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. Friday, Jan. 22nd:

Temperature at 8 A. M. 52 degrees; 8 P. M. 61 degrees; maximum 71 degrees; minimum 48 degrees; mean 60 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, trace; for the month, .91 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville Thursday at 8 A. M. 10 feet.

For North Carolina—Partly cloudy Saturday; unsettled weather Sunday; light variable winds.

Port Calendar—Jan. 23.

Sun Rises.....7:06 A. M.
Sun Sets.....5:18 P. M.
Day's Length.....10 hrs. 5 min.
High water at Southport 9:14 P. M.
High water at Wilmington 11:47 P. M.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Crystal Palace—Last Day.
B. Warren & Son—Today Only.
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B. M. P. Odham—Notice.
R. Ellis Powell—Magazine Club.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. Geo. J. Phares, returned home Thursday, after spending several weeks with relatives in Columbia, Mo.

—Mr. Joseph R. Ross, of Charlotte, was here yesterday and left on the morning train for Lake Waccamaw on a brief visit.

—Mrs. Fred Bagwell, of Baltimore, and Mrs. W. F. Martin, of Mt. Olive, N. C., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Tucker, No. 308 Grace street.

—Rev. R. C. Reed, D. D., of Columbia, S. C., is expected to arrive in the city today and will conduct the services at the First Presbyterian Church tomorrow morning and evening at the usual hours in the absence of the pastor, Rev. J. M. Wells, D. D., who is spending a brief vacation at his old home at Jackson, Miss.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Robert Dugin, white, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Officer J. R. Minshue, at Sixth and Castle streets on the charge of vagrancy. He was placed in the guard house to await trial in the police court today.

—At the session of the Mayor's court yesterday James McRay, colored, was tried for fast driving around corner of Front and Princess streets, and the case was dismissed upon payment of costs.

—Newbern Sun, 21st: "Mr. M. S. Willard, of Wilmington, N. C., Grand Commander of the State, was in the city last evening and inspected St. John's Commandery No. 10, Knights Templar. Mr. Willard left this morning on the Coast Line train, returning home."

MR. TURNER TO LOCATE HERE.

Former Popular Wilmingtonian to Practice Law in This City.

It will be a source of infinite pleasure to the many friends of W. P. Mangum Turner, Esq., now of the Lexington bar, to know that he will arrive here early next week and that on the first of February he will locate in this city for the practice of law, at which he has been eminently successful since his admission to the bar several years ago. Aside from the fact that Mr. Turner married in Wilmington, he was for several years city editor of the Messenger in this city and numbers his friends here by the score, therefore, it will be a mutual pleasure for him to be here. The Lexington Dispatch of this week says:

"Mr. W. P. Mangum Turner, attorney-at-law, who came to Lexington a year ago, has decided to move to Wilmington for the practice of his profession and will leave about the first of the month. Mr. Turner, however, will attend the next term of Davidson court, having a number of cases to look after. It is to be regretted that he leaves our town, but the numerous friends he has made in Lexington wish him well in his new location. In spite of the usual difficulties that beset the pathway of the young lawyer, Mr. Turner has done remarkably well since coming here. He is a man of vigorous ability and force of character, and is well qualified for the practice of law. That he will succeed in Wilmington is a matter of course."

President Helps Orphans.

Hundreds of orphans have been helped by the President of The Industrial and Orhpan's Home at Macon, Ga. who writes: "We have used Electric Bitters in this Institution for nine years. It has proved a most excellent medicine for Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles. We regard it as one of the best family medicines on earth." It invigorates the vital organs, purifies the blood, aids digestion, creates appetite. To strengthen and build up thin, pale, weak children or run-down people it has no equal. Best for female complaints. Only 50c at R. R Bellamy.

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HOUSE AND SENATE

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at 11 o'clock.

In the Senate.

The mileage book matter was broached in the Senate by the introduction of a bill by Senator Barringer which eliminated the necessity of exchanging mileage for tickets, making mileage good on trains. Senator Ormond proposes to put solicitors on salaries of $2,500. Koonce's bill making the salary $2,750 was made a special order for next Tuesday in the House.

Other bills introduced:

Kluttz, petition from fire companies for passage of a bill for firemen's relief fund amending the law so that the fund may receive 1 per cent. on all policies, domestic and foreign, instead of half of one per cent., as at present.

Senator Dockery read a "Pome" by ex-Senator N. A. McLean, of Robeson county, in answer to the resolution by Senator Dockery that McLean and others be sent a copy of the bill to inject Section "A" into the anti-trust act. It was referred to the committee on shell fish.

Notable bills passed final reading:

Permit Greenville to condemn property for opening new street. Incorporate Board of Publication North Carolina Methodist Conference. To amend Chapter 338, Public Laws of 1905, reducing the number of Commissioners of Beaufort county from seven to five.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock Saturday.

Before Judiciary Committee.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary sets Friday of next wek for hearing argument on Senator Dawes' bill to regulate bills of lading involved in "Order to Notify Shipments." The bill primarily involves the extent of the negotiability of bills of lading but incidentally fixes the color and size of the documents so railroad companies want hearing against this, lest there be a burdensome conflict with orders of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, multiplying work and trouble for the railroad agents. The bill is drawn by President Bruton, of the North Carolina Bankers' Association.

The Committee decides to report favorably the bill of Senator Barham to require counties having special terms of court to pay the presiding judge $100 per week. At present there is no compensation for special terms.

MR. MEARES POSITION.

Washington Correspondent Writes of Wilmington Man's Attitude.

Mr. H. E. C. Bryant, Washington correspondent of the Charlotte Observer, had the following in a recent issue of his paper:

Frequent mention has been made of the name of Mr. Iredell Meares in connection with the Eastern District Judgeship. He had friends who wrote the President sugegsting his appointment; but he never sent a delegation, nor did he come himself to see the President. It develops that, in answer to a letter from a prominent man here asking him to get in the race, he wrote the following letter, which explains itself:

"I appreciate your compliment in mentioning my name to the President, and, of course, if the appointment were to come to me, I would be gratified; but I cannot bring myself to seeking endorsements for the position and to become an active candidate for the judgeship, however much I would like the position. Public mention has been made of my name, but without my suggestion, and certain friends and acquaintances have written the President directly of their own accord * * * * I am old-fashioned enough in my ideas to be averse to seeking actively a judicial appointment, and I do not want to give color at this time to the criticism that my support of Mr. Taft, which was genuine and sincere, had for its object political or judicial preferment.

"If circumstances develop which would suggest a consideration of my name by the President, I am sure that either yourself, Judge Pritchard, our Senators or Representatives would bear testimony to him. If asked, as to my personal or professional qualifications, if any, for the position; and, for that matter, either one of the Supreme Court judges of this State, I believe, would do likewise. I do not care to seek endorsements for the position. I could have had the endorsements of the bar of Wilmington, probably with one or two exceptions; and, when the vacancy occurred, many of them declined to endorse any one else until they understood from me that I would not ask for their endorsement. Colonel Skinner was here at the time of the vacancy, and I think many of the members have signed the recommendation of him. Even now, were it thought by my associate brothers of the bar that my name would be considered by the President, I am sure they would endorse my candidacy were I to ask it.

"I concur with you in the opinion that it is an important office to fill, both as to the work to be performed by the judge, and as to the confidence the appointment may command from the public; and because of my appreciation of the office and the qualifications requisite to fill it, I feel not an unnatural delicacy in being in any manner active in the solicitation of endorsements or personally applying for the position. I think you will understand the position which I take and appreciate my point of view."

Mr. Meares, since the announcement was made to the effect that Seawell would be appointed, wired the President as follows:

"I am asked to testify to H. F. Seawell's personal and professional standing. The suggestion by friends of my name in connection with the position will not prevent my saying with pleasure that Mr. Seawell is an able lawyer, a gentleman of high character and well qualified to make an excellent district judge."

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The Theatre

That delightful musical play, "Buster Brown," so well and favorably known, which charms the older folks and affords unbounded amusement for the little ones, will be at the Academy for matinee and night today and seats for both performances are now selling at Plummer's. Everything is new this

season, and as usual, the parts will be portrayed by first class artists. Master Reed, Thos. Colton and Harold West will play the famous trio, Buster, Tige and Mary Jane, and there is a big company and chorus of 40 people.

The Crystal Palace.

The combination of good weather and a good show made the attendance of giant size yesterday at the Crystal Palace. A change of programme also went on yesterday and was as delightful as the ones of the previous part of the week. The act of the Wonderful Ostrado again astonished and pleased and the comedy portion of the bill was received with almost incessant laughter on the part of the large audiences. Today will be the last opportunity of seeing the present clever and novel bill at the Palace. For next week the Palace management announces that it has many good things and will make the list known tomorrow.

Saturday at the Bijou.

The ever popular Bijou will make another big Saturday offering today. The films will be "The Face at the Window" and "Cocoa Industry in Trinidad, British West Indies." The latter is an educational as well as a most entertaining film and gives the spectator an interesting study of an important industry in the quaint country to the south of us.

BUILDING TO HOPE MILLS.

Another Important Connection For the Raleigh & Southport Road.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Fayetteville, N. C., Jan. 22.—Work was started here yesterday in surveying a route for the extension of the Raleigh and Southport Railroad from this point to Hope Mills, where the road will connect with the Aberdeen and Rockfish and eventually with the Virginia, Carolina & Northern, which is being extended to Hope Mills from St. Pauls.

It has been believed here for some time that the management of this road contemplated the construction of a line to Hope Mills and this belief was strengthened some months ago by the action of the Raleigh & Southport in stealing a march on the officials of this city and throwing a track across Blount street without awaiting or asking permission from the authorities. It was thought that this act was prompted by the fear that permission would not be granted them to cross this street which was then traversed by 13 tracks, but which the R. & S. must cross to reach Hope Mills.

TO MEET AT THE SEASHORE.

North and South Carolina Architects to Assemble Here in June.

As the season approaches, evidences are multiplying that many State and Inter-State assemblies will contribute toward making the Summer a lively one at Wrightsville Beach. One of the latest bookings at the Seashore Hotel is the annual convention of North and South Carolina architects which will be held some time in June, the exact dates to be named later. This meeting will bring together several hundred of the leading architects of the two States and an elaborate banquet will be one of the features of the session. Then in addition it is proposed to have in connection with the convention a display of hardware, building material, decorations, etc., some of the largest houses North being represented as well as many from the South. The programme will be announced later.

STUDY OSTEOPATHY.

Mr. Lloyd C. Allen Leaves to Take Thorough Course in Missouri.

Mr. Lloyd C. Allen, a clever and talented young Wilmingtonian for several years in the A. C. L. general offices in this city, has resigned his position here and has gone to Kirksville, Mo., where he will take a thorough course in osteopathy, which he has adopted as his profession. The course will be three years' study of osteopathy in one of the most celebrated institutions of its kind in the country and many friends of Mr. Allen here wish him unbounded success.

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SPECIAL SCHOOL TAX

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money that way.

At the time when I prepared the bill I felt that we ought to have fireproof buildings, and you agreed with me; but, as you will remember, some of the school authorities did not want to call for bonds for that purpose, but did want a special tax for the improvement of the schools and for their better maintenance; and for sometime a member of the board has insisted that we try to get you to pass an Act for a special tax, simply. But I have insisted that we ought to have the power to call for those bonds to build school houses, in the event such buildings became absolutely necessary, as in the event of the loss of them by fire, which authority we would have under this Act. And I have not thought, and do not think, there is any necessity for two elections.

I trust that your statement that you will endeavor to repeal the 7th Section of the Act was hasty, and made without due reflection upon all of the pertinent considerations which might influence your mind. As it stands, it merely leaves the question to the vote of the people, and if they want the special tax, surely you have no objection to their having it, and if they do not want the special tax they will vote against it. And you and I will have done all within our power to prevent the calamity of turning our children on the streets two or three months earlier each year by closing the schools

I certainly hope you will not take any steps along the line indicated without giving us an opportunity to be heard before you decide to introduce the bill.

We have already requested the Board of Commissioners to call an election under the Act some day between the 1st and 15th of March.

Think you past favors, and with kind regards, I am.

Yours truly,
GEO ROUNTREE.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Announcement by Wilmington Pastors For Services Tomorrow.

Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Front and Queen streets, Rev. J. S. Crowley, pastor: Services at 11 A. M., and 7:30 P. M., tomorrow, Sunday School at 3 P. M. Mid-week service Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend any or all of these services.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, corner of Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McClure, D. D., pastor: Sabbath services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sabbath School at 3:30 P. M. W. C. E. Society at 7 P. M. Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday at 8 P. M. The public is cordially invited. Seats free.

First Presbyterian Church, corner Third and Orange streets, Rev. J. M. Wells, D. D., pastor: Regular service Sunday morning at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. conducted by the Rev. R. C. Reed, D. D., of Columbia, S. C. Sunday School at 4 P. M. Christian Endeavor Society at 7 P. M. Mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 P. M.

Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., expects to preach at East Wilmington tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

In Charge of Steiff Music House.

Mr. J. M. Wilson, of Norfolk, has arrived in the city and taken charge of the Stieff Music House in this city, succeeding Mr. Geo. S. Edwards, who was recently transferred to the Virginia city. Mr. Wilson will be joined here by his family about the 15th of February. They will receive a cordial welcome to the city.

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MR. W. B. WELLS DEAD.

Well Known and Respected Citizen Passed Away at the Hospital.

After an immediate illness of less than 24 hours, Mr. W. B. Wells, one of the proprietors of Le Grand, the new moving picture theatre on Market street, died this morning at 12:40 o'clock in the James Walker Memorial Hospital to which he was removed only yesterday afternoon suffering with an attack of acute indigestion.

Mr. Wells was 61 years of age and had been a resident of Wilmington for a number of years, gaining the respect and esteem of all with whom he came in contact. Only three days ago, with Mr. L. H. Partin, he opened the new theatre on Market street and prior to that time had been engaged in various pursuits. Mr. Wells complained of being unwell yesterday morning and Drs. W. J. H. Bellamy and Morris M. Caldwell were summoned to attend him. He had a complication of internal troubles and he was hurried to the hospital with the hope of saving his life, but all efforts were in vain. Mr. Wells is survived by his wife; a son, Mr. Percy Wells, one of the proprietors of the Bijou, and two younger children, Wilcourt Wells and Miss Bennie Wells. There are also surviving a sister, Mrs. Hugh Morrison, of Pittsburg(Pa., and a brother, Mr. Burke Wells, who is traveling in South America. All the bereaved ones have the tenderest sympathy of many friends in their sorrow. The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

SOCIETY VAUDEVILLE

Novel Entertainment to be Given in Elks' Temple This Evening.

A novel and altogether entertaining society vaudeville will be given this evening in the Elks' Temple under the auspices of St. Mary's Guild and a number of leading young Wilmington society people will take part. The exercises begin at 8:30 o'clock and a large audience is assured. The programme will include a calliope college combination; a sketch by Richard Harding Davis in which Messrs. Robertson, Wright and Smith and Miss Pickett will appear; "Sousa's Grand Military Band," a travesty, by Miss Edith Pritchard, Tom Pritchard and Will Gore; "Suppose," as sung by Miss Emerson and Mr. Little; "The Shop Girl," a monologue by Mrs. T. P. Hammer; "A Little Girl Like Me," by Miss Alice Borden; "Lullaby Lasses," by Misses. Nash, Worth, Wise, Williams and Taylor; "Only in Dreams," by Misses Strange, Prince, Margaret and Bessie Bridgers, Holladay, Savage and Cronly; "Japanese Love Song," by Miss Jane McMillan and Morgan Fenley; "A Good Cigar is a Smoke," by Messrs. Foard, West, Watters, Darden and Peck; "Villa," Miss Loder and Dr. Russell Bellamy; "Cynthia Jane," Miss Bridgers, and "Little Girls in Blue," Misses Lord, Borden, Emerson, Jacobs, Loder and Horne.

ROBESON PROTESTS.

Wants No Division of County—Mass Meeting Held.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Lumberton, N. C., Jan. 22.—A mass meeting attended by several hundred leading citizens from all parts of the county was held in the Court House here today, its object being to protest against the passage of the bill which has been introduced in the Legislature for the division of the county.

Mr. L. Shaw, of St. Paul, was made chairman, and Mr. F. M. Townsend, of Thompson's township, was elected secretary. Resolutions were passed instructing the Senator and Representatives of the county to use all honorable influences to defeat the bill. A large steering committee was appointed which will meet here again next Monday.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 22.—A big delegation from the Red Springs section of Robeson county headed by A. T. McCallum here in the interest of a bill to create the county of North Robeson, has gone home. The purpose is to cut through the county near Pembroke, leaving that railroad junction in the old county. Red Springs to be the capital of the new county. They will return February 11th with a big delegation for the committee hearing.

Fired Into Train.

Near Bolton last night as the late train from Columbia was coming to Wilmington some miscreant fired into the window of one of the coaches, the ball narrowly missing a young traveling man of this city, who was asleep on the seat immediately opposite the window and who was covered with glass shattered from the pane. No further particulars were learned.

FEARFUL WRECK TODAY.

Two Passenger trains Crash Together With Great Loss of Life.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Johnstown, Pa., Jan. 22.—Running at a speed of nearly 50 miles an hour, the second section of the St. Louis Express on the Pennsylvania Railroad, which left Philadelphia at 4:30 yesterday afternoon crashed into the first section which had met with an accident at a point between South Fork and Summer Hill, known as "Running Ground" with terrific force early this morning, killing and injuring many persons. The second section was a double header with two large engines and is said to have ploughed its way through the first section.

Immediately after the wreck hurry calls were issued for all available physicians at both this place and Altoona and in less than an hour nearly 50 physicians were on the way to the scene of the accident. The wreck occurred between telegraph stations and it is a hard matter to gain definite information. When the special train left this city officers were stationed at the depot to prevent newspaper men from accompanying the physicians.

The latest information at this hour is to the effect that five bodies have been taken from the demolished car and that many injured have been taken from the debris.

Attend the one-cent surprise sale Monday 10 o'clock at Rehder's. **

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COTTON MARKET REVIEW

Speculation Broadening—Spot Interests Buying Heavily of Futures.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 22.—Speculation in cotton is broadening and prices have advanced. Large spot interests have been heavy buyers of March and May and spinners have bought a good deal of July and October. There has been so much covering of October that the differences have narrowed. Europe has evidently become alarmed over the outlook. It is heavily short here, particularly against October straddles, which were originally made by selling in New York and buying in Liverpool. Now Europe begins to suspect that the crop may not be so large as it at one time expected it t be. It, therefore, has been liquidating the October straddles on an increasing scale as prices have advanced. Of course this means buying in New York. Also there has been a good deal of general covering both in this crop and the next by people who have become nervous over the National Ginners' Association report stating that the ginning from January 1st to January 16th, was only 158,000 bales as against the Census Bureau figures of 388,046 bales for the same time last year.

Meantime Wall Street and Chicago have been buying and so has New Orleans. Wall Street takes profits from time to time, but buys on setbacks. Greater public interest is manifested in the speculation. The West and South, and even the Pacific Slope are trading more freely. Not that the speculation has anything like the sweep that it had in Sully's day, but it is growing. Bears think that the crop is 14,000,000 bales, that the consumption will be only about 12,500,000, and that lifting prices now insure all the greater decline later on. Bulls maintain that the crop is not much if any over 13,000,000 bales, and that it will all be wanted. They think that a crop of a half to one million bales larger would be very easily absorbed.

A PITIFUL MARRIAGE.

White Man Marries Negro Woman, Thinking Himself a Negro.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 21.—Probably the most unique and pitiful case in the history of Virginia has developed in Farmville, where Marcus Lindsay, and his wife, both believing themselves to be negroes, have been sentenced to eighteen years each in the penitentiary, the court having adjudged the man to having sufficient white blood in his veins to be legally white.

Marcus Lindsay is the son of a white woman. He always accepted a story, however, that he had colored blood in his veins. Believing this, he has associated with negroes from his infancy, lived with them, and attended their churches and schools. Some months ago Marcus was married to Sophy Jones, a negress and the widow of a negro, and has since lived with her.

Indictments were brought against Lindsay on the ground that he is a white man who married a negro woman and against his wife, Sophy, for having married a white man, being herself a negress, the laws of Virginia prohibiting such intermarriage. The court, while dwelling in length upon the tragedy that has made this man and woman criminals without any intention on their part of committing a criminal act, declared the marriage null and void, and sentenced the prisoners to the penitentiary for having contracted an interracial marriage.

The court added, however, that while under the law he was forced to pronounce sentence, he would personally petition the Governor to pardon the prisoners without allowing them to be taken to the penitentiary, but upon condition that all marital relations between them should cease.

DR. DREHER'S FINE RECORD

Wilmington Man Loss By Narrow Margin in Primary Shoot.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Pinehurst, N. C., Jan. 22.—Charles Nichols, of Charlotte, N. C., was the preliminary winner of the second annual mid-winter Trap Shooting Turnament today in a tie shoot-off at ninety with Dr. J. H. Dreher, of Wilmington, N. C., 24 to 21; Mr. Nichols at the 18 yard mark and Dr. Dreher at 17. W. D. Hinds, of Portland, Me., 17 yards, and D. A. Upson, of Cleveland, 20 yards, were second and third with respective scores of 89 and 88.

Fred Gilbert, 22 yards, led the professionals with 94, Harold Money, 21 yards, second, with 93, and Guy Ward, 20 yards, third in 91.

Mr. Upson was the winner of the morning 85 target sweepstake with a score of 73.

The scores of the leaders in the preliminary follows:

Handicap—Charles Nichols, Charlotte, N. C., (18) 90; J. H. Dreher, Wilmington, (17) 90; W. D. Hinds, Portland, (17) 89; D. A. Upson, Cleveland, (20) 88; G. L. Young, Chicago, (21) 87; H. D. Gibbs, Union City, Tenn., (19) 86; D. T. Leahy, Philadelphia, (18) 86; C. H. Newcomb, Ohio, (20) 85; E. W. Reynolds, New York, (18) 85; F. W. Moffett, Mont Clair, (19) 84; T. S. Baskerville, Clifton Forge, New York, (19) 84; E. E. Boyland, Wilmington, N. C., (18) 84; Cooke Clayton, Salisbury, N. C., (16) 83; Dr. D. L. Culver, Jersey City, (19) 83; A. R. Allen, Mont Clair, (19) 82; R. G. Stokley, Wilmington, N. C., (19) 82; E. S. Rogers, Cleveland, (19) 82; P. H. Powell, Newport, R. I., (19) 81; J. C. Todd, Newburyport, (16) 80; H. L. Lee, Lennox, Mass. (20) 80; Arthur Lyon, High Point, N. C., ((18) 8

READY FOR PANAMA TRIP.

The North Carolina Arrives at Charleston For Taft.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Charleston, S. C., Jan. 22.—The cruiser North Carolina, which is to convey President-elect Taft to Panama, arrived in port today from Norfolk. Mr. Taft will reach here tomorrow morning from Augusta, and embark Monday morning at 7:30 A. M. The cruiser Montana to convey the other members of the Taft party will come here Sunday morning.

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FORTUNE SMILES ON BILLIK

Sentence to Die, Twice Reprieved, Commuted to Life Imprisonment.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 22.—Governor Charles S. Dineen tonight commuted to life imprisonment the sentence of death that had been pronounced on Herman Billick, of Chicago, condemned to be hanged for the murder of Mary Vrazel, whom it was charged he poisoned with other members of the family.

The State Board of Pardons in making the recommendations to the Governor for the commutation of sentence says that after the final action of the Supreme Court, Jerry Vrazel, brother of Mary Vrazel, and one of the principal witnesses at the trial of Billick appeared before the State Board of Pardons at the hearing of the petition for Billick's pardon and swore that all his testimony at the trial against Billik was false except as to some unimportant facts.

Governor Dineen several months ago granted Billick a reprive until the Supreme Court could review the case. Last month Lieutenant Governor Sherman in the absence of Governor Dineen at Washington, granted Billick another reprieve until January 29th.

MRS. LEAVITT ASKS DIVORCE.

Daughter of W. J. Bryan Files Proceedings Against Artist Husband.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 22.—Ruth Bryan Leavitt, daughter of William J. Bryan, today filed suit for divorce from William H. Leavitt. T. S. Allen, brother-in-law of Mr. Bryan, is the attorney for the plaintiff. Leavitt is now in Paris.

The reason given in the petition is alleged non-support. To minimize publicity, the attorney exercised a common privilege of taking back into his possession the documents in the case.

WARM WIRELETS.

Petition was filed in the Superior Court of Fulton county, Ga., yesterday asking that a receiver be appointed for the $10,000 in bonds deposited with the State treasurer by the Southern Insurance Company, of New Orleans, which company has been placed in the hands of a receiver through proceedings at New Orleans.

At their third meeting in the ring at Savannah, Ga., Jack Dyrane of Savannah, achieved a knock-out over Benny Reilly, of Baltimore, in the 14th round of their scheduled 25-round battle before the Southern Athletic Club last night. A blow over the heart sent Reilly to the floor for the count of nine. He arose and immediately was knocked out with a right and left to the jaw.

By a good majority vote the House of Representatives tabled yesterday the Senate joint resolution calling for an investigation of the alleged whiskey lobby at Nashville, Tenn. A joint resolution asking for an investigation of the charge made by E. B. Chappell and B. F. Haynes, local Methodist ministers, that corrupt influences were being used on members of the Assembly was laid on the table by practically a unanimous vote.

THE LAND OF WORSHIP.

The East Believes Too Utterly to Care if Others Disbelieve.

Prayer pervades the east. Far off across the sands when one is traveling in the desert one sees thin minarets rising toward the sky. A desert city is there. It signals its presence by this mute appeal to Allah. And where there are no minarets in the great wastes of the dunes, in the eternal silence, the lifelessness that is not broken even by any lonely, wandering bird, the camels are stopped at the appointed hours, the poor and often ragged robes are laid down and the brown pilgrims prostrate themselves in prayer. And the rich man spreads his carpet and prays, and the half naked nomad spreads nothing, but he prays too.

The east is full of lust and full of money getting and full of bartering and full of violence, but it is full of worship—of worship that disdains concealment, that recks not of ridicule or comment, that believes too utterly to care if others disbelieve. There are in the east many men who do not pray. They do not laugh at the man who does, like the unpraying Christian. There is nothing ludicrous in prayer. In Egypt your Nubian sailor prays in the stern of your dahabiyeh, and your Egyptian boatman prays by the rudder of your boat, and your black donkey boy prays behind a red rock in the sand, and your camel man prays when you are resting in the noontide watching the faroff, quivering mirage, lost in some wayward dream.

And must you not pray, too, when you enter certain temples where once strange gods were worshiped in whom no man now believes?—Robert Hichens in Century.

The Senate's Hole In the Wall.

When the nineteenth century was as yet only half grown, senators applied customarily for their toddies at the so called Hole in the Wall, a small circular room just off the postoffice of the upper house. The latter body then occupied what is now the chamber of the supreme court, and the postoffice was across the main corridor of the building on the same floor. When a wearer of the toga found himself in need of a "snifter" he had only to cross over to the mails department and pass through it to the little circular room aforesaid, which was about the size of a pantry. The Hole in the Wall was the first senate restaurant and the bill of fare for edibles was short, though to the point. There was ham, guaranteed to have been smoked for six months, a veritable sublimation of the pork product; there were corned beef and bread and cheese, but very little else. They served, however, as an accompaniment for the fluids, and when the Hole was crowded, as was often the case, senators ate their sandwiches outside, in the postoffice.—Washington Post.

The Aurora Borealis.

The aurora borealis, or northern light, is something that we have all heard about, but very few, perhaps, can give any explanation of it. No one definitely knows what causes it, but the scientists are pretty well agreed that it is due to electricity. They believe that the light is made by the recomposition of the positive and negative electricity always in the upper and lower strata of air, respectively. M. Lenstrom made an interesting experiment in Finland in 1882, his object being to determine the nature of the aurora. He had the peak of a mountain surrounded by a copper wire, pointed at intervals with tin nibs. When he had charged the wire with electricity a yellow light appeared on the tin tips, and an examination of the light by the spectroscope revealed the greenish yellow ray that is a marked feature of the aurora. This evidence among scientists is almost convincing, for it is by means of the spectroscope that we discover the constituent parts of the sun and the stars.—Exchange.

"Thou Diest on Point of Fox."

Fox blades were celebrated all through the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries for their excellent temper, and mention of them is frequent in English drama. This is their history:

There was a certain Julian del Rei, believed to be a Morisco, who set up a forge at Toledo in the early part of the sixteenth century and became famous for the excellence of his sword blades, which were regarded as the best of Toledo. That city had for many ages previous been renowned for swordmaking, it being supposed that the Moors introduced the art, as they did so many good things, from the east.

Julian del Rei's mark was a little dog, which came to be taken for a fox, and so the "fox blade" or simply "fox" for any good sword. See "Henry V.," act 4, scene 4, "Thou diest on point of fox." The brand came to be imitated in other places, and there are Solingen blades of comparatively modern manufacture which still bear the little dog of Julian del Rei.—London Notes and Queries.

A Royal Snake Slaughterer.

The "secretary bird" is one of the most precious birds in South Africa. It is royal game, and any person destroying one is liable to a fine of £50. Majestic looking birds, they stand about three feet high and generally go in pairs. They are of drab color, with black, feathery legs, and are valued for their propensity for killing snakes. Where the secretary bird is seen there are sure to be many reptiles about. The bird beats down its adversary first with one wing and then with the other, at the same time trampling on it with its feet until the snake is sufficiently stunned to catch it by the head with its claws. Then the bird rises far up in the air and drops its victim to the ground, to be killed. By this means thousands of venomous reptiles are destroyed.—London Scraps.

Brave Fire Ladies

often receive severe burns, putting out fires, then use Bucklen's Arnica Salve and forget them. It soon drives out pain. For Burns, Scalds, Wounds, Cuts and Bruises its earth's greatest healer. Quickly cures Skin Eruptions, Old Sores, Boils, Ulcers, Felons; best Pile cure made. Relief is instant. 25c at R. R. Bellamy.

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Natural History.

"Whah is you been workin'?" asked Miss Miami Brown.

"Up to one o' deshere garridges whar dey keep de automobiles."

"I s'pose you likes 'em better dan mules."

"Well, de diff'unce is dat a mule kicks wif his hin' feet an' de automobile is mo' li'ble to butt same as a goat."—Washington Star.

Busy Woman.

Every monthly magazine carries as many as two continued stories in it. When a man takes six it means that his wife is carrying twelve continued stories in her head in addition to doing the cooking and trying to find out how much the new hat cost worn by the woman next door.—Oil City Derrick.

Economical.

She—I'm going to give you back our engagement ring. I love another. He—Give me his name and address. She—Do you want to kill him? He—No, I want to sell him the ring.—Pick-Me-Up.

Milk Toast and Cheese.

Make some rich milk toast and spread out on a flat dish. Cover with a thick layer of grated cheese and put in the oven till the cheese melts and browns. —Harper's Bazar.

A Sponger.

"The worse of Spongely is he never pays anything," said Grabbles.

"Oh, doesn't he, though? Ask him to pay you a visit and see," retorted Hicks.

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Don't wait until too late.
Be sure and be in time.
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BOARDERS WANTED—Mrs. Rutland, 411 South Third street. Three double and one single room. Table boarders also. jan 23 2t

"EVERYBODY'S," "World's Work" and "Delineator" at $3.50 is a good club. Others at like price. Send for club price list. R. Ellis Powell, Whiteville, N. C. jan 23 2t*

FOR SALE—A fine solid trunk. Roller tray. Very reasonable. Call L. Brill, 322 North Third street. ja 23 2t*

FOR SALE—Saturday, January 23rd one lot of extra fine milch cows, which must be sold at once. S. J. Davis, 208 and 210 Market street. ja 22 3t

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FOR SALE—One of the best paying drug stores in Eastern North Carolina. Owner has splendid offer in management of leading northern Pharmaceutical House and will give bargain to quick buyer. Address "Quinine" care of Star office. ja 21-4t.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE

—Fairmont Messenger: Notwithstanding the shortage in the yield of cotton last year, there were about seven hundred more bales of cotton ginned here the past season than the year before, which makes about 22,000 for the season.

—Wake Forest, Jan. 21.—A series of three debates have been arranged with Davidson College, the first to be held Easter Monday night, likely at Greensboro. According to the terms of the contract, Wake Forest presents the question for discussion and Davidson has choice of sides.

—Kenansville News: Mrs. John S. Herring has a lemon tree at her home which has produced several very fine lemons. We saw one of these Tuesday which weighed 33 ounces and another 25 ounces. They were perfectly formed and the color was bright. Mrs. Herring has pulled quite a number of lemons from this tree this winter.

—Newbern Journal: Five barges loaded with lumber are lying in port now, expecting to be taken out today or tomorrow. The cargoes of the several marges aggregate 2,000,000 feet of lumber. This lumber movement is going on steadily and looks like a big thing but it is very much less than it was a year or two ago.

—Pender Chronicle: The Chronicle is again called on to report the death of one of the oldest citizens of Pender county, in the person of Mr. Benjamin T. Bloodworth, which occurred at his residence here Tuesday night at 12 o'clock. Mr. Bloodworth had a stroke of paralysis a few weeks ago, since which time he has been gradually sinking until the end came as stated

—Kinston Free Press: Captain Hinnant of the Norfolk and Southern mail train informed the reporter this morning that the dredge of the Southern Dredging Company arrived in Beaufort several days ago and commenced work this morning dredging for the Inland Water Way. A gang of 45 men is kept busy day and night. Electric lights furnished light by which the men are enabled to do night work.

—Wilson, N. C., Jan. 21.—Mine host, R. E. Crawford, of the New Briggs, has purchased forty-five acres of land near Wilson from Judge H. G. Connor. On his newly acquired farm Wilson's most popular caterer will raise all the chickens, eggs, milk and vegetables that is necessary to feed the public. He is a great dog fancier, too, and will raise the best strains of bird dogs for the accommodation of his guests.

—Concord Tribune: Colonel Jake F. Newell, of Charlotte, was in the city today. In conversation with a Tribune man this afternoon Mr. Newell stated that the Boston syndicate interested in placing a street railway in this city,, are still anxious to come and that if the way was clear they are now ready to begin active work on the proposition. The concern will begin in May at any rate, it is thought, but several months time amounts to a good deal and will necessarily delay the beginning of the work.

—Rocky Mount Record: Work is being pushed upon the grading and laying of track for the road being built for the Montgomery Lumber Co., from Spring Hope west. Since the work on this road was begun there has been much conjecturing as to where its western terminal would be—whether at some point on the Seaboard Air Line, either Louisburg or Franklinton, or some other point, or through to Raleigh. The matter seems to have about taken a definite shape at present, and those who have the work in charge have directed the survey through to Louisburg, and they are daily securing the right of way.

—Wadesboro Messenger: Tuesday, at Bethel, an investigation was held before Esqs. J. S. Myers and M. W. Gaddy for the purpose of spotting, if possible, persons engaged in the illicit sale of whiskey in Gulledge township. The investigation was held behind closed doors, and a large number of witnesses were examined. It is said that most of the witnesses disclaimed having bought any liquor at all. A few of those questioned, however, acknowledged the soft impeachment, the evidence of these resulting in the issuance of about half a dozen warrants for offenders against the prohibition law.

—Laurinburg, Jan. 21.—Work has begun on the preliminary survey of the railroad from Laurinburg to Gibson. There is no question that this road will soon be built. In the meantime there is a movement to build from here to Raeford. The notice published in The Observer of the plan to build the road to Gibson brought to a decision a plan long considered by the Blues, of Aberdeen, to build from Raeford to this place. Mr. John Blue has been here in consultation with the local leaders, and it is probable that the road from Raeford will be continued to this point. It is also possible that the Blues may get control of the line from here to Gibson.

—Pender Chronicle: A Chronicle representative, in the company of quite a party, had the pleasure a few days ago of visiting the plant of The East River Lumber Co., which is located on the west bank of North East river near Smith's bridge. It was quite a revelation to us, as we had had no idea there was any such a well equipped and up-to-date lumber plant in Pender county. The mill has been fitted up with all modern improvements, with a large brick dry kiln, fire proof. They have a dynamo and will use electric lights for night work. The lumber shed, which will be some one hundred and fifty or two hundred yards long will be built on brick pillars, the pillars having been already built, through the centre of this will run the railroad track. The mill will start up the last of this week.

My Promotion.

[Original.]

When Alice Coale told me that she was engaged to Tom Martin I felt a sickening sensation about the heart that could only come to a young person. I might feel a bitter disappointment today, but it would not be of the same kind. Alice looked at me surprised. "Why, what's the matter, John?" she said.

"Nothing," I replied, endeavoring to pull myself together. "Only I'm afraid Tom mightn't turn out good enough for you—that's all."

"Oh, that's all, is it? Well, don't worry about that. A fellow as smart, as popular, as trustworthy, as Tom is good enough for a far better girl than I. Mother says she'd rather trust to his judgment in business matters than to that of older heads."

"Oh, I only meant he wasn't good enough for you."

"You lumbering, good natured stupid, John," she said, taking my hand and pressing it caressingly. "You will always be my dearest friend."

That was very kind of her.

A few months later I was startled by one of those mysterious rumors that are spoken under the breath for a brief period before they become public property. It was that Tom Martin had been borrowing money from any one who would lend it to him. Then I heard that he had disappeared. Following closely on this came the news that Mrs. Coale had given him all her money for investment, and he had either sunk it or taken it with him. Since he had paid none of his debts it was presumed that he had taken it with him.

Detectives visited his room and took away every scrap of paper they could find there, though Tom before leaving had left nothing to show where he had gone. He had borrowed a book of me, and I went to his room to see if I could find it. It was lying on his table, and I carried it home with me. That evening I took it up and opened it. Between the cover and the title page was a library card on which were entries of several books taken out within a few weeks. The book he had borrowed from me was "Australian Sketches." I wondered what kind of literature he had been taking from the library. Curiosity, mingled with a feeling that I might gather some clew with reference to his acts, led me the next day to take the card to the library and have a look at the books he had been reading. What was my astonishment to find that one was upon Central America, three upon Honduras and a fifth on the rubber industry of that state.

After some thought these were my deductions: Tom had at first thought of going to Australia, but had changed to Central America. He had selected Honduras and when he got there would invest the money he had taken in either the rubber trade or a rubber forest. More likely the latter, since it would give him a better chance to hide from the world.

The day after I reached these conclusions I started for Florida and from there sailed for Honduras. Landing at Puerto Cabello, I went into the interior. I made inquiries for an American who had come to Honduras to negotiate for a rubber tract. The state is not a large one, and any one going there with money would not remain unnoticed by its people. Of course it would be useless to inquire for one by the name of Martin, for the skulker was doubtless using an assumed name.

It was just two weeks to a day when I learned of a man answering Martin's description who was dickering for a rubber tract some ten miles away from me. I went to where he was and on a porch in a small town came upon the man I was hunting. When he saw me he collapsed. I told him that all I wanted was Mrs. Coale's money or as much of it as he had left. If he would give me this he might stay where he was for all me as long as he liked; if not he would go back to stand trial. He turned over eighteen $1,000 United States bonds, which was what remained of Mrs. Coale's little fortune. I receipted for it and started home.

I found that Alice had taken a position and gone to work. The evening of my return I called on her and her mother. This was the first time I had seen them since their misfortune. Mrs. Coale chided me for having kept away in the hours of their trouble, while Alice maintained a cold reserve. I didn't know whether to attribute it to the cause her mother mentioned or some other. In truth, she seemed stunned. I'm not naturally facile in opening subjects and sat for some time, speaking only when I did speak on commonplace topics, trying to frame what I should say concerning the object of my call. I knew I would make the mother glad, but was all in the dark about Alice. Finally, despairing of finding proper words, I took the bonds from my pocket and tossed them on the table.

"They're yours," I said. "I tracked him and got them. There's only a small loss."

I'm very poor at descriptions, among other things, and it wouldn't do for me to try to give the scene that followed. Mrs. Coale was so beside herself with joy that for a time she forgot even to thank me. Alice broke into sobs and, clutching my hand, her head sank down on it. When I came to myself I found my eyes wet and my arm around her waist. But meanwhile I'd had it there for some time without her discovering it either, so I didn't hurry to take it away.

Well, I was promoted from best friend to—the other thing.

C. MASON BRADSTREET.

OLD VILLAGE LOCKUP.

Quaint Structures For Confinement of Rogues and Vagabonds.

Several villages in the midlands possess in more or less ruined state their old parish lockups, commonly known as roundhouses.

Breedon, a Leicestershire village, close to the South Derbyshire border, possesses its "lockup," a quaint stone building eighteen feet high and eight feet six inches diameter inside. The walls are fifteen inches thick. The door is of stout oak, studded with many large iron nails.

The lock is very strong, and the keyhole is covered with an iron plate, which itself has to be unlocked by a spanner before the door key can be inserted. Ventilation is afforded by small holes punched in an iron plate, six inches by seven, fixed in the center of the door. There is no window.

At Worthington, the next village to Breedon, the old lockup is a seven sided brick building, badly in need of restoration, an opportunity for archaeologists which it is hoped will not be missed. Both at Breedon and Worthington these diminutive disused prisons are on the roadside adjacent to the pound, or pinfold, so that the constable had conveniently side by side the strayed cattle and any human rogues or vagabonds he had charge of. There are similar old lockups at Smisby and Ticknall, two villages close to Leicestershire.—Sheffield (England) Telegraph.

BLUSH IF YOU CAN.

It Is a Sign of an Active Brain, Declares a Scientist.

Sir Arthur Mitchell, K. C. B., of Edinburgh, who knows much that is strange about dreams, laughter and other commonplace human characteristics, has advanced the consoling theory that blushing is an achievement of which every one who can blush should be proud.

He says it requires brains to blush. Idiots cannot blush; neither can animals. Sir Arthur calls attention to the fact that tiny infants do not blush, although they learn to at an early age—just as soon, in fact, as the brain begins to exercise its functions. In blushing, he says, the mind always must be affected. It is always and only a bodily expression of a mental state.

It is a natural thing for a blusher to say that he had tried not to blush. No individual blushes of his own free will. The blush arises without call instantaneously and vanishes almost as quickly. Neither for its coming nor its going is there any exercise of volition. It is controlled, Sir Arthur says, solely by the brain and is a positive sign that there is an active brain there.—New York World.

Boissier's High Priced Autograph.

A good Boissier-Renan anecdote is told by a French paper. One day Boissier arrived at Renan's home with a beaming face, saying: "Now I'll tell you a piece of news that will humiliate you. My autograph has fetched a higher price than yours." "That does not surprise me," Renan said serenely. "And where did you hear this?" It then turned out that at an auction a day or two before a Renan autograph had been sold for 3 francs and a Boissier for 5. "Well," Renan went on, "now let me tell you the reason. There were three faults in the spelling of your letter, which is now lying here on my writing table. A friend of mine was at the auction and made a higher bid for the letter after noticing the artificial gems that adorned your prose. He brought it to me in order that I might return it to you instead of reaching the public, which might get a bad impression of the accomplishments of members of the French academy."

Got Near It.

A primary teacher was presenting to her class selections from the story of Hiawatha preparatory to taking up the "Hiawatha Primer." The story was prefaced by a few remarks in regard to the poet and his love for children. In reviewing the lesson she asked:

"How many remember the name of the poet who wrote this story?"

Up went many hands.

"You may tell us, Sarah," added the teacher, noticing the little one wildly waving her hand in her intense eagerness to respond.

"Mr. Longlegs," said the child, with evident pride.—Lippincott's.

A Quaint Critic.

A noted woman teacher once spoke before a class of school children on literature. She had spent a week writing the speech. She read it to the little ones, as she hoped, with great success, but the next day she heard that a boy on being asked by his mother what had happened at the school replied carelessly:

"Oh, nothing much, except that a lady talked to herself on a piece of paper."

Just the Contrary.

Bessie was just finishing her breakfast as papa stooped to kiss her before going downtown. The little one gravely took up her napkin and wiped her cheek.

"What, Bessie," said her father, "wiping away papa's kiss?"

"Oh, no," said she, looking up, with a sweet smile; "I's wubbing it in."

A Bad Spell.

"Poor Jack! He never could spell, and it ruined him."

"How?"

"He wrote a verse to an heiress he was in love with and he wrote boney for bonny."

A wise man should not refuse a kindness.—Herodotus.

Depth of Cyclones.

From the study of clouds an official of the United States weather bureau concludes that ordinary cyclones which traverse our country from west to east are not more than two or three miles in depth, although their diameter is many hundreds of miles. In other words, their motion does not affect the upper regions of the atmosphere. In the case of hurricanes this authority finds that the depth is greater, amounting to as much as five or six miles. But higher currents blow directly across the cyclonic and anticyclonic areas which produce storms and fair weather at the surface of the earth.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Easy Money.

Theodore Hook was one of the Garrick club's most famous members. He generally arrived at the club late in the afternoon and "never went home till morning." He had been told by the doctors, he said, to avoid the night air. A member of the club in Hook's time predicted the advent of the millennium at the end of three years. "All right," cried Hook. "Give me a five pound note now, and I will repay you £50 at the millennium."

Dangerous.

Giles—How's your son gettin' on up in Lunnon? Garge—Very well. He tells me he's got a job partly behind the counter and partly out o' doors. Giles—And what 'appens when the door slams?—London Telegraph.

Makes Cowards of Us All.

There is nothing from which even the bravest man shrinks so pitifully as the lancet of the surgeon, even when it is wielded by the most skillful of his craft.—London Sketch.

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Ar. Wilson	1:00 pm	10:52 pm
Ar. Rocky Mount	1:35 pm	11:30 pm
Ar. Weldon	4:55 pm	2:47 am
Ar. Norfolk	5:55 pm	
Ar. Petersburg	7:00 pm	4:25 am
Ar. Richmond	8:00 pm	5:10 am
Ar. Washington	11:50 pm	8:40 am
Ar. Baltimore	1:15 am	10:02 am
Ar. Philadelphia	3:45 am	12 23 pm
Ar. New York	6:30 am	2:45 pm

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41.	No. 45.
Lv. New York	9:25 am	9:25 pm
Ar. Philadelphia	11:37 am	11:48 pm
Ar. Baltimore	2:15 pm	2:46 am
Lv. Washington	3:45 pm	4:20 am
Lv. Norfolk		8:25 am
Lv. Richmond	7:25 pm	8:15 am
Ar. Petersburg	8:05 pm	9:03 am
Ar. Weldon	9:52 pm	11:28 am
Ar. Rocky Mount	10:55 pm	12:55 pm
Ar. Wilson	11:31 am	1:56 pm
Ar. Goldsboro	6:15 am	3:00 pm
Ar. Wilmington	9:25 am	6:00 pm

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SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily.	Daily.
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Ar. Flor.	9:05 am	7:20 pm	3:45 am
Ar. Col'bia	12:25 pm	10:45 pm	
Ar. Ch'st'n	1:10 pm	11:25 pm	6:40 am
Ar. San.	6:35 pm	2:15 am	9 00 am
Ar. Jk'vlle		7:15 am	1:20 pm
Ar. Tampa		7:00 pm	10:00 pm

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	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Tampa	9:00 pm	10:30 am
Lv. Jacksonville	9:05 am	7:45 pm
Ar. Savannah	1:15 pm	11:59 pm
Lv. Charleston	5:39 pm	5:20 am
Lv. Columbia	4:30 pm	6:00 am
Ar. Florence	7:15 pm	8:55 am
Ar. Wilmington	12:40 am	1:25 pm

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Ar. Sanford	1:40 pm	Lv 3:30 pm

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Ar. Maxton	7:52 A. M.	6:35 P. M.
Ar. Hamlet	8:45 A. M.	7:30 P. M
Lv. Hamlet	9:05 A. M.	8:10 P. M.
Ar. Monroe	10:50 A. M.	10:20 P. M.
Ar. Ch'lotte	11:35 A. M.	11:30 P. M

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TO WRIGHTSVILLE FROM WILMINGTON.

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 6:30, 7:00, 8:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 3:00, 4:30, 6:00, 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:00 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:00, 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:00 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON FROM WRIGHTSVILLE

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 6:20, 7:25, 7:55, 8:25, 9:25, 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:55, 5:25, 6:25, 7:55, 9:25, 10:30, 11:30 1. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave at 9:55, 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:25, 3:55, 4:25, 4:55, 5:25, 5:55, 6:55, 7:55, 9:25, 10:30, 11:30 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON FROM THE BEACH

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 7:15, 7:45, 9:15, 10:45 A. M., 12:15, 1:45, 3:45, 5:15, 7:45, 9:15 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave at 9:45, 10:45 A. M. 12:15, 1:45, 3:15, 3:45, 5:15, 5:45, 6:15, 6:45, 7:45, 9:15 P. M.

TO GOLF LINKS AND DELGADO FROM WILMINGTON

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 6:30, 7:00, 8:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, *2:25, 3:00, *3:45, 4:30 *5:05, 6:00, *6:05, 7:00, *7:05, 8:30, *9:05, 10:00, 11:00 P. M.

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TO WILMINGTON FROM GOLF LINKS AND DELGADO

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 6:35, 7:40, 8:10, 8:40, 9:40, 11:10 A. M., 12:40, 2:10, *2:35, *3:55, 4:10, *5:15, 5:40, *6:15, 6:40, *7:15, 8:10, *9:15, 9:40, 10:45, 11:45 P. M.

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COMMERCIAL

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 22.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE — Market, steady 40c.

ROSIN—Market, steady $2.85.

TAR—Market, firm $1.60.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Market, firm $2.00 per barrel for hard; $3.00 for dip and $3.00 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—spirits turpentine steady 50 3-4; rosin nothing doing; tar nothing doing; crude turpentine firm $2.00, $3.00 and $3.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	(—)
Rosin	(—)
Tar	180
Crude Turpentine	11

Receipts, same day last year 8 casks spirits turpentine; 66 barrels rosin; 16 barrels tar; 5 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Steady, 9 3-8 cents for middling.

Same day last year—Nominal.

Receipts—1,835 bales, same day last year 6,154 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, January 16th.)

PEANUTS—North Carolina prime 65@75c; extra prime, 75c; fancy, 80c; Virginia, prime 60@65c; extra prime 70@75c; Spanish 90@95c.

CORN—Firm, 97 1-2c per bushel for white; 92 1-2@95 for mixed.

N. C. HAMS—Steady; hams, new 13 @ 14; shoulders 11@12 1-2c.; sides 12c.

EGGS—Dull at 21c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Good demand at 15@35c for large springs; growns dull, 35c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2c per pound.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 3 1-2c per pound on foot.

HIDES—Dr. flint, 9; green, dull 7c. per pound.

IRISH POTATOES—90c per bushel.

SWEET POTATOES—Good demand 60@65c per bushel for yams.

WOOL—Free of burr, 15c; burry wool 10 to 12c.

TURKEYS—Good demand, 12 1-2c per lb. on foot; dressed 18c.

GEESE—Dull 50c per head; dressed 50c.

PORK—Good demand 6 to 7c; corn fed 8c for small pork.

THE COTTON MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 22.—While spring and summer deliveries made new high records in today's cotton market sentiment seemed to be somewhat unsettled and fluctuations were irregular with the close steady, net unchanged to 3 points lower. Sales were estimated at 350,000 bales.

The market opened steady at unchanged prices to a decline of 5 points generally 2 to 5 points lower, in response to lower cables than expected realizing for over the census report, and selling for a reaction. Leading spot interests were buyers at the decline, the large spot business reported in the leading Southern markets at advances yesterday had a favorable effect on sentiment and there were a bunch of overnight buying orders around the ring. This support proved more than sufficient to absorb offerings and the market quickly developed an upward tendency which continued with only slight recessions until the active months had sold at a net advance of 6 to 10 points.

Realizing for over the census report, which is due at the opening tomorrow, was rather heavier in the last hour and prices eased off, although the market received renewed support from spot interests as it approached the closing figures of last night. Local estimates as to the probable showing of the census figures tomorrow range from about 180,000 to 250,000 bales ginned for the period between Jan. 1st and 16th. Southern spot markets officially reported were unchanged to 1-8c higher.

Receipts of cotton at the ports today were 40,537 bales against 38,795 last week and 57,624 last year; for the week 240,000 bales, against 242,100 last week and 262,701 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans were 9,355 bales, against 9,082 last year and at Houston 4,282 bales, against 6,981 last year.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 10.00; middling gulf 10.25; sales 141 bales. Futures opened steady and closed steady.

Month.	Open	Close
January	9.60-65	9.67
February	——	9.66
March	9.62	9.66
April	——	9.64
May	9.59	9.63
June	9.60	9.59
July	9.57	9.57
August	9.44	9.43
September	——	9.36
October	9.34	9.34
November	——	9.27
December	9.28	9.27

COTTON RECEIPTS.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st:

Galveston	2,666,581
New Orleans	1,383,701
Mobile	276,008
Savannah	1,160,248
Charleston	163,938
Wilmington	322,560
Norfolk	426,121
Baltimore	68,178
New York	14,327
Boston	10,923
Newport News	4,056
Philadelphia	2,476
San Francisco	39,025
Brunswick	252,763
Port Townsend	50,048
Pensacola	101,458
Port Arthur & Sabine Pass	88,786
Jacksonville	25,132
Eagle Pass, Texas	150
El Paso, Texas	122
Laredo, Texas	300
Texas City	34,256
Gulfport	15,987
Minor Ports	1,666
Total	7,117,890

Comparative Cotton Statement.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 22.—For the week ending January 22nd:

Net receipts at all United States ports during week 240,871.

Net receipts at all United States ports same week last year 253,408.

Total receipts since September 1st 7,117,890.

Total receipts to same date last year 5,963,009.

Exports for the week 226,736.

Exports for same week last year 273,604.

Total exports since September 1st 5,429,545.

Total exports same date last year 4,755,965.

Stock at all United States ports 911,173.

Stock at all United States ports same time last year 891,142.

Stock at all interior towns 829,522.

Stock at all interior towns, same time last year 522,785.

Stock at Liverpool same time last year 980,000.

Stock of American afloat for Great Britain same time last year 356,000.

PORT MOVEMENT.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Galveston—Steady, 9 7-8; net receipts 10,180; stock 129,959.

New Orleans—Firm, 9 5-8; net receipts 9,355; stock 294,622.

Mobile—Firm, 9 9-16; net receipts 1,729; stock 63,445.

Savannah—Steady, 9 3-8; net receipts 6,582; stock 138,239.

Charleston—Firm, 9 1-4; net receipts 820; stock 2,754.

Wilmington—Quiet, 9 3-8; net receipts 1,835; stock 8,896.

Norfolk—Firm, 9 5-8; net receipts 2,595; stock 41,411.

Baltimore—Nominal, 9 3-4; net receipts 2,673; stock 20,804.

New York—Quiet, 10.00; stock 173,563.

Boston—Quiet, 10.00; net receipts 257.

Philadelphia—Quiet, 10.25; stock 5,943.

Brunswick—Net receipts 3,950; stock 6,750.

Newport News—Net receipts 369.

Jacksonville—Net receipts 192.

Total today, at all ports, Net 40,537; Great Britain 20,651; France 18,330; Continent 15,515; stock 911,173.

Consolidated, at all ports, net 240,871; Great Britain 119,952; France 35,139; Continent 63,921; Japan 7,724.

Total since Sept. 1st, at all ports, Net 7,117,890; Great Britain 2,371,043; France 722,191; Continent 2,229,389; Japan 101,619; Mexico 5,303.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Houston—Quiet, 9 13-16; net receipts 4,282; stock 143,658.

Augusta—Firm, 9 3-4; net receipts 1,021; stock 96,915.

Memphis—Steady, 9 1-2; Net receipts 2,030; stock 178,998.

St. Louis—Firm, 9 5-8; net receipts 36; stock 41,830.

Cincinnati—Net receipts 803; stock 18,511.

Louisville—Firm, 9 5-8; net receipts 92; stock 375.

Little Rock—Steady, 91-2; Net receipts 1,242; stock 47,424.

Total today—Net receipts 9,506; gross receipts 12,422; shipments 15,745; sales 6,221; stock 527,811.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

(By Cable to the Morning Star.)

Liverpool, Jan. 22.—Closing: Cotton—Spot quiet, prices 3 to 5 points higher; American middling fair 5.86; good middling 5.50; middling 5.30; loow middling 5.10; good ordinary 4.63; ordinary 4.23. The sales of the day were 7,000 bales, of which 200 were for speculation and export and included 6,700 American. Receipts 15,000 bales, including 14,000 American. Futures opened steady and closed quiet. January 5.14 1-2; January and February 5.14 1-2; February and March 5.13; March and April 5.12 1-2; April and May 5.12; May and June, June and July 5.11 1-2; July and August 5.11; August and September 5.03; September and October 4.98; October and November 4.93 1-2; November and December 4.91 1-2; December and January 4.90 1-2; January and February 4.89 1-2.

THE DRY GOODS MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 22.—The dry goods market is more active on cotton goods, and buyers are placing orders for fall cottons such as blankets, flannelettes, etc. The jobbing house trade is very satisfactory to date, the road business being especially good. The local wool market is firm, and there is an active call for carpet wools, which are in short stock. Cotton yarns are generally quiet, but fairly steady.

FINANCIAL MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 22.—Money on call easy; 1 1-2 to 2 per cent.; ruling rate 1 3-4; closing bid 1 1-2; offered at 1 1-2. Time loans active and easy; 60 days 2 1-4 per cent.; 90 days 2 3-4 per cent.; six months 3 to 3 1-4 per cent.

Close: Prime mercantile paper 3 1-2 to 4 per cent. Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.8480 to 4.8490 for sixty day bills and at 4.8725 for demand. Commercial bills 4.84 1-2 to 3-4. Bar silver 51 1-2. Mexican dollars 44.

NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. refunding 2s reg	102 1-2
U. S. refunding 2s cou	102 7-8
U. S. 3s reg	100 3-4
U. S. 3s cou	100 3-4
U. S. 4s reg	119 1-2
U. S. 4s cou	120 1-2
Amr. Tobacco Co. 6s	106 7-8
Atlantic Coast Line 4s b	95 3-8
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	101
L. & N. Unified 4s b	101
Seaboard Air Line 4s	64 1-2
Southern Railway 5s	109 1-4
U. S. Steel 5s	104

Closing Stock Lists.

Amalgamated Copper	78 1-4
Amr. Car & Foundry	49 1-4
Amr. Car & Foundry pfd	109
Amr. Cotton Oil Co	51 5-8
Amr. Locomotive	56 1-2
Amr. Smelting & Ref	86 1-8
Amr. Smelting & Ref pfd	102
Amr. Sugar Refining	133
Amr. Tobacco pfd	92 1-2
Atchison	99 1-8
Atchison pfd	100 7-8
Atlantic Coast Line	108
Baltimore & Ohio	112
Baltimore & Ohio pfd	93
Chesapeake & Ohio	61 1-4
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	149
Colorado & Southern	65 3-4
Erie	31 1-4
Erie 1st pfd	46 3-8
Erie 2nd pfd	35 1-2
Great Northern pfd	143 7-8
Kansas City Southern	42 3-8
Kansas City Southern pfd	73
L. & N. ex div	123
Norfolk & Western	90 1-4
Northern Pacific	140 1-4
Pennsylvania	133
People's Gas	104
Reading	137 1-2
Rock Island Co	24 3-4
Rock Island Co. pfd	61 3-4
Southern Pacific	120 3-8
Southern Pacific pfd	121 5-8
Southern Railway	25 3-4
Southern Railway pfd	62
Standard Oil Co	651
Union Pacific	179 7-8
U. S. Steel	54
U. S. Steel pfd	114 3-8
Va.-Car. Chemical	46
Va.-Car. Chemical pfd	114 1-4
Western Union	68 1-2
Westinghouse Electric Co	83

THE RICE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 22.—The local rice market has been quiet though firm in sympathy with the situation at primary points whence brokers have received most bullish advices. They complain of the difficulty in getting mills to accept counter bids, the answer in a number of cases being that the rice offered was already sold at higher values. Jobbers, generally speaking, believe with the South that prices are at rock bottom—Honduras because of scarcity and Japanese on account of cheapness, but the distributors fail to enthuse. Some are skeptical of the farmers' combination maintaining prices for rough rice, claiming that the visible supply is larger, but with the majority hand-to-mouth buying is rather the result of poor collections and the general trade dullness. Stocks are not large here and receipts do not swell the total, assortments being fairly good.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 22.—Flour steady but quiet.

Rye Flour—Firm.

Buckwheat Flour and Rye—Dull.

Buckwheat—Slow.

Corn Meal and Barley—Steady.

Wheat—Steady; No. 2 red 1.08 to 1.09 elevator. Options 1-8 to 1-4c net lower; May 1.11; July 1.04 3-4.

Corn—Firm; No. 2, 70 eelvator. Options 1-8c net higher. May 69 1-4; July and Sept. 69 3-8.

Oats—Steady; mixed 54 to 54 1-2.

Beef, Cut Meats and Pork—Steady.

Lard—Easy.

Tallow, Rice and Molasses—Firm.

Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining 3.23.

Coffee—Steady; Rio No. 7, 7 3-8 to 7 1-2; Santos No. 4, 8 3-8. Mild—Quiet; Cordova 9 1-4 to 12 1-2. Futures closed steady, net unchanged to 5 points higher.

Butter—Dull and easy, unchanged.

Cheese—Firm, unchanged.

Eggs—Firmer; State, Pennsylvania and nearby brown and mixed fancy 32 to 33; fair to choice 30 to 31.

Cotton Seed Oil—Easy; prime crude 35; prime summer yellow 42 3-4 to 43; prime white 43 to 44; prime winter yellow 47 3-4 to 49; off summer yellow 42 1-4 to 42 3-4; good off summer yellow 42 to 42 3-4.

Potatoes—Steady to firm; Bermuda per barrel 4.00 to 5.50; other foreign, per bag 1.75 to 2.20.

Cabbages—Steady, unchanged.

Freights and Peanuths—Unchanged.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Chicago, Jan. 22.—Liberal exports for the week from Argentine and Australia were largely instrumental in creating a weak tone in the wheat market here today. At the close prices were 1-8c higher to 1-8 to 1-4c lower. Corn closed firm, oats steady and provisions weak.

Leading futures were as follows:

Wheat.			
May	1 07 5-8	1 07 7-8	1 07 3-4
July	97 7-8	98	97 3-4
Sept	94 5-8	94 3-4	94 5-8
Corn.			
May	62 3-8	62 5-8	62 1-2
July	62 1-2	62 3-4	62 5-8
Sept	62 5-8	62 7-8	62 3-4
Oats.			
May	52 1-8	52 1-4	52
July	46 3-8	46 1-2	46 3-8
Sept	39 1-2	39 1-2	39 1-2
Mess Pork, per bbl.			
Jan.	18 00	18 00	17 25
May	17 30	17 30	17 15
July	17 32 1-2	17 32 1-2	17 20
Lard, per 100 lbs.			
Jan.	9 65	9 65	9 60
May	9 90	9 90	9 75
July	10 00	10 00	9 85
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.			
Jan.	8 85	8 85	8 85
May	9 10	9 10	9 00
July	9 17 1-2	9 20	9 10

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour, steady. No. 2 spring wheat 1.09 to 1.10; No. 3, 1.03 to 1.09; No. 2 red 1.06 5-8 to 1.07 7-8. No. 2 corn 59 3-4 to 60; No 2 yellow 60 to 60 1-2. No. 3 white oats 50 to 52 1-4. No. 2 rye 76. Good feeding barley 60 to 60 1-2. Fair to choice malting 61 1-2 to 64. No. 1 Northwestern flax seed 1.60 1-2. Prime timothy seed 3.37 1-2 to 3.90. Clover contract grades 9.25. Short ribs, sides (loose) 8.50 to 8.87 1-2. Mess pork, per bbl. 17.35 to 17.37 1-2. Lard, per 100 lbs. 9.60. Short clear sides (boxed) 8.87 1-2 to 9.12 1-2.

NAVAL STORES.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 22.—Rosin steady; turpentine firm 44 1-2.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 22.—Turpentine firm 41 to 1-4; sales 205; receipts 127; shipments 282.

Rosin firm; sales 3,800; receipts 2,456; shipments 882; stock 184,193. Quote: A. B. C. 3.15; D, 3.20; E, 3.22 1-2; F, 3.25; G, 3.27 1-2; H, 3.45; I, 4.20; K, 5.15; M, 5.80; N, 6.25; WG, 6.45; WW, 6.50.

Charleston, S. C., Jan. 22.—Turpentine quiet 40 1-4; rosin quiet: Quote: A. B. C. 3.07 1-2; D, 3.10 to 3.12 1-2; E, 3.10 to 3.12 1-2; F, 3.10 to 3.12 1-2; G, 3.12 1-2 to 3.15; H, 3.20 to 3.30; I, 4.10; K, 5.05; M, 5.70; N, 6.15; WG, 6.35; WW, 6.40.

MARINE

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Urg. str. Ordunte Mendi, 2,536 tons, Eschevarrie, Philadelphia, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. City of Fayetteville, Smith, Fayetteville, C. P. Love.

Str. Duplin, Stokes, Smith's Bridge, J. A. Munn.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 22, 1909.

C. C. Railroad—45 bales cotton; 3 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—549 bales cotton; 9 barrels rosin.

W. C. & A. Railroad—906 bales cotton; 41 barrels tar.

A. & Y. Railroad—297 bales cotton; 130 barrels tar.

Str. Duplin—8 bales cotton; 8 barrels crude turpentine.

Schr. G. Moore—6 bales cotton.

Total—1,835 bales cotton; 180 barrels tar; 11 barrels crude turpentine.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port of Wilmington, N. C.

Steamers.

Gallia (Dan.) 1,183 tons, Pedersen, Heide & Co.

Trignac (Fr.) 1,447 tons, Dolu, Heide & Co.

Ordunte Mendi (Urg.) 2,536 tons, Eschevarrie, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schooners.

Horace P. Shares, 392 tons, Flynn, C. D. Maffitt.

Augustus Welt, 1,111 tons, Sproul, C. D. Maffitt.

Carrie A. Morton, 470 tons, Layton, C. D. Maffitt.

Georgia D. Jenkins, 398 tons, Colwell, C. D. Maffitt.

Geo. W. Truitt, Jr., 647 tons, Eskridge, C. D. Maffitt.

When the Noise Let Up.

Two young women of stolid, common sense appearance were the sole feminine occupants of a subway car until there entered a flashily dressed girl with face made up like a cosmetic advertisement and accompanied by a young man attired in the "extreme." The two young women eyed the newcomer with interest while they continued their conversation. The train slowed down at the next station, the rattle and bang of operation ceased and the voice of one of the young women became suddenly audible:

"If I had a face like that, do you know what I'd do? I'd hock it."

The girl with the makeup looked daggers, her escort looked foolish, the speaker looked out of the window and a dozen passengers looked as though they enjoyed it.—New York Globe.

His Insignia.

The mayor of Z. is a self made man, and, as in the case of some others of that kind, not too much attention was paid to his early education. A little while ago a gentleman who was engaged in compiling a work on corporation regalia wrote to his worship requesting a photograph of his insignia. The mayor by return of post replied that he was only too pleased to accede to the other's wish. "But," he wrote, "instead of a mere photograph I beg to send you the genuine article." And there followed immediately underneath in good round copperplate the mayoral signature.—London Answers.

Circumstances Alter Cases.

Lady (entering breathless)—I want to stop the divorce suit! Lawyer—Why, you said your husband was an abominable, beastly brute and you wanted to be rid of him at any cost! Lady—Oh, yes; I know. But now an automobile has run over him, and I want you to start suit for damages.—Lippincott's Magazine.

He Smoked.

"What do you mean by smoking my pipe, young man?" queried the stern father of a precocious five-year-old.

"Mamma said if I teased the cat again she'd make me smoke for it," explained the little fellow, "and I teased her again."—Chicago News.

After all, it is the imponderables that move the world—heat, electricity, love.—Holmes.

Big Preparation.

The firm of J. H. Rehder & Co., are making big preparations for their annual January Clearing Sale to begin next Monday, Jan. 25th. Some interesting bargains will be on display. **

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Announcement

Sternberger Bros., beg to announce to their numerous friends that they will continue in the Wholesale and Retail Grocery business and thank them very much for their past patronage.

The Liquor and Wine business has been removed to the Standard Distilling Co., Portsmouth, Va., Corner County and Crawford streets, and any orders sent there will receive prompt and careful attention. For price list of Wines and Liquors write the Portsmouth house.

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J. O. BROWN
Jan 19 tf

REMOVAL
Ed. Guion, the Barber, has removed to 121 Market street, where he will be pleased to see all of his old customers and many new ones.
GUION, The Barber.

FORECLOSURE SALE.

By virtue and pursuance of the power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage made by Charles Carroll and wife to The Wilmington Homestead & Loan Association duly registered in Book 51, page 452 et seq of the Records of New Hanover County, the undersigned will sell to the highest bidder at public auction for cash on Tuesday, the 9th day of February, 1909, at the Court House door in Wilmington, N. C., the following described property: Beginning at a point on the Southern line of Rankin street 132 feet east of the eastern line of Wood street, runs south parallel with Wood street, 145 feet to Charlotte street, thence eastwardly along northern line Charlotte street 33 feet, thence north parallel with Wood street 145 feet, thence west 33 feet to beginning—Parts lots 1 and 2 Block 228, of said city.

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With grateful appreciation for the liberal patronage of the past, I respectfully solicit the continued support of my customers in the future.

J. HARGROVE TAYLOR,
At The Wilmington Grocery Company.
ja 3-tf.

Read the Business Locals Star Business Locals Pay.

TAFT'S LAST DAY IN GEORGIA CITY

He Will Leave Augusta For Charleston This Morning.

KNOX AND MR. HITCHCOCK

Asked to Hold Conference With Him There Tomorrow—He Will Sail For Panama Monday—Programme of Entertainments

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Augusta, Ga., Jan. 22.—Philander C. Knox and Frank H. Hitchcock, Mr. Taft's prospective Secretary of State, and Postmaster General, respectively, have been requested by him to come to Charleston for a conference Sunday. Mr. Taft has continued to gather information regarding prospective Cabinet material, and while he cares to give no details as to what is to be discussed Sunday, it is probable that the Treasuryship will receive attention, as well as other matters.

Mr. Hitchcock had expected to see Mr. Taft in Charleston, but it was not known until announced by Mr. Taft tonight that Mr. Knox had been asked to come, and that a similar request had also gone to the National Chairman.

Mr. Taft will terminate his stay in Augusta tomorrow morning when he leaves at 8 o'clock for Charleston. That he had thoroughly enjoyed himself in Augusta was Mr. Taft's enthusiastic statement tonight. While he had not, he said, done all the work that perhaps he should have done, he had, by daily exercise on the golf links, developed a splendid physical condition, and never felt so fit in his life for any undertaking.

As the result of a long conference today between Mr. Taft and R. R. Rogers, Mr. Taft said he had been put in possession in advance of information regarding all sorts of questions which were likely to come to his attention when he reaches the Isthmus. Incidentally, Mr. Taft said he approved the bill which had been prepared by the Congressmen who had recently returned from the Isthmus. This measure is calculated to place in statute from the present machinery of government in the zone. It reduces the number of judges there, which also meets the approval of Mr. Taft.

The trip to Charleston tomorrow will be made on a special train on the Southern Railroad. A stop will be made at Magnolia Crossing, a few miles from that city, at 1 o'clock, which will allow Mr. Taft an opportunity for a golf game with Mayor Rhett, Dr. Charles W. Killock and E. W. Durant. He will be quartered in the Charleston Hotel, where he will arrive at 6 o'clock and be the guest of honor at an elaborate banquet later in the evening. Mr. Taft is to be the sole speaker at the banquet.

On Sunday Mr. Taft will attend services at the Unitarian church and take luncheon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Parsons, at The Oaks, about ten miles from the city, the distance being covered in automobiles. Native Charleston tea will be served Mr. Taft later in the day at the home of Dr. C. U. Shepard, at Summerville, a suburb of Charleston. Dr. Shepard is the owner of "Pinehurst," the pioneer tea farm of the country. Mr. Taft will go aboard the North Carolina with Mrs. Taft and seven engineers who are to accompany him to Panama early Monday morning.

Another chapter has been added to the 'possum lore which is accumulating about the President-elect. The story as told by Mr. Taft is that last night when taking dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Landon A. Thompson, a large covered silver platter was set before him, upon which he looked with considerable interest as visions of a roast flitted across his mind. The cover was suddenly lifted and looking with reproach directly into the eyes of the President-elect, was a very much alive 'possum neatly tied to the platter. The animal's teeth were exhibited and an ugly snarl was on his tongue, but it was the reproachful look which left the lasting impression on Mr. Taft's mind.

Mr. Taft tonight was presented with the souvenir of his prowess at golf in the form of a silver, gold-lined cup. He won the handicap tournament yesterday.

SUICIDE IN CHURCH.

Otto Schueitzer Sent Bullet Through Brain While Kneeling in Prayer.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 22.—In a posture of prayer in St. Patrick's church here and with a bullet hole through the temple, the dead body of Otto Schueitzer, of Philadelphia, was found today several hours after the fatal shot was fired.

Two notes were found, one bequeathing $1 for "St. Anthony's Bread" and another expressing regret vaguely that he had "permitted himself to prove a failing."

He had been here but a day reaching the city aboard a steamer from Philadelphia early this morning.

The shot that killed him was not heard by anyone, traffic in the street in front of the church drowning the report. The pistol the man had used was found besides his knees where he knelt in a pew.

Don't Get A Divorce.

A western judge granted a divorce on account of ill-temper and bad health. Dr. King's New Life Pills would have prevented it. They cure constipation, causing bad breath and Liver Trouble the ill-temper, dispel colds, banish headaches, conquer chills. 25c at R. R. Bellamy.

FOR "THE LINCOLN WAY"

Senate Parses Joint Resolution for its Survey—House Passes Naval Appropriation Bill—Another Demand on Attorney General.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Jan. 22.—February 12 next was today declared to be a special legal holiday and a survey and plans for a highway from Washington to Gettysburg, to be known as "The Lincoln Way," as a memorial to Abraham Lincoln, was provided for by a joint resolution passed by the Senate, after an extended debate. The resolution did not commit Congress to the construction of the highway when surveyed.

Senator Burkett declared that a real estate speculation was in the proposition for a highway from Washington to Gettysburg. He preferred a public building in Washington.

Final action was also taken on the Legislative, Executive and Judicial bill, the Senate refusing by a vote of 41 to 27 to fix at $75,000 the salary of the President previously increased by an amendment to $100,000.

The Senate adopted a resolution introduced by Senator Culberson, directing the Attorney General to supply the Senate with copies of all correspondence relating to the absorption of the Pennsylvania Sugar Refining Company by the American Sugar Refining Company.

At 5:12 o'clock P. M. the Senate adjourned until Monday.

House of Representatives.

Exactly as reported by committee, the naval programme for the fiscal year of 1910 was today adopted by the House of Representatives and the Naval Appropriation bill was passed. The opponents of the navy increase feature of the bill found themselves in a hopeless minority. The only vital alteration made in the measure was the striking out of the provision restoring marines to naval vessels. The aggregate amount appropriated by the bill is $135,000,000.

As has been the case in the past, the increase in the naval estimates gave rise to extended and heated debate, in which members were afforded an opportunity to air their views on the Japanese question. The peace advocates were much in evidence in opposition to such increase, while the adherents of the proposition were alive at all times to every move made to cut down the number of vessels authorized.

Speaking in support of an amendment by Mr. Finley, of South Carolina, striking out the battleship provision, Mr. Bartholdt, (Mo.) declared that if there ever was a time when such an appropriation was unwise and unnecessary it was now. "It is unnecessary," he said, "because we are at peace with all the world, and, what is more, we have wisely managed to safeguard our peace as it has never been safeguarded before."

Mr. Tawney spoke of the Japanese situation. "I am getting somewhat tired," he said, amid loud applause, "of these annually-recurring wars with Japan which occur simultaneously with the consideration of the Naval Appropriation bill." Mr. Tawney declared that Japan could not go to war and could not impose a farthing more of tax than was now imposed without a revolution.

Continuing, Mr. Tawney said that there was no naval vessel afloat that could sail from Yokohama to the Pacific coast and back again with her own coal, and such a fleet could not be supplied with enough colliers to meet the requirements.

Touching on the finances of the government, Mr. Tawney predicted a deficit this year of $125,000,000 and next year of $143,000,000.

The non-construction of the two battleships, declared Mr. Slayden, of Texas, would be a declaration to the world that the United States did not desire nor expect war.

Mr. Cockran, of New York, expressed the view that it was impossible for any two races to live together on terms of equality. He spoke of the growing number of "an alien race" on the Pacific coast and predicted that it would be impossible to get Japan to sign a treaty of exclusion. In that event it would be necessary for Congress to pass an exclusion act, and that, he predicted, would be accepted by the other country as a hostile demonstration.

At 4:46 o'clock the House adjourned.

DUN'S WEEKLY TRADE REVIEW

Development Along Conservative Lner—South's Trade Below Normal.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 22.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade tomorrow will say:

Development in trade is along conservative lines. Larger pay rolls in manufacturing centers naturally help retail distribution, but this is still much restricted, though the underlying conditions are firmly maintained because of reduced stocks in retailers' hands. In the South, trade in wholesale lines is considerably below normal and full resumption is not yet in sight. The movement of cotton continues large and prices are firmly maintained. In the West factories in independent industries are still operated short of full capacity, but additional help is constantly employed, enlarging the output very gradually.

Quiet conditions still prevail in iron and steel and no transactions of importance are noted.

Manufacturers of cotton goods are now displaying more independence than for some time past, partly owing to the firmness of raw material, but principally as a result of the marked improvement in the China trade.

While most woolen lines, except fine fancy worsteds, have now been opened, the number of buyers operating is still small and prices have not been definitely settled. Yarns prices remain unchanged, but there is little movement.

$25 suits for $12.50 next Saturday. J. W. H. Fuchs. ja 22 2t

A SURPRISE IN COOPERS' TRIAL

State Files Affidavit Claiming Juror Was Drunk When Accepted.

NO PROGRESS IN TRIAL

Five Hundred Additional Talesmen Have Been Summoned—No Session of Court Today—Judge Grants Privileges

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 22.—The third day of the Coopers-Sharpe murder trial passed not only without securing another juror, but if the motion of the State be sustained, one of the six already chosen will be eliminated because he was intoxicated when he reported for service and was chosen. The State claims it secured knowledge of Juror Leigh's condition after it had accepted him and Judge Hart set tomorrow at 9 A. M. to pass upon the motion.

The summoning of 500 additional talesmen began late this afternoon to appear Monday when the effort will be made to complete the jury which will try the alleged slayers of ex-Senator Carmack.

Judge Hart announced today that no session would be held on Saturdays. He believes that the case can be completed more rapidly by giving the attorneys one day in six in which to consult.

Jurors Can Have Toddy.

When the six selected jurors were brought into court this morning one of them, J. M. Witworth, called Judge Hart and said:

"Judge, I've been used to my morning toddy for a good many years and I missed it powerfully this morning. Can't I get one, just one, every morning?"

"The Constitution prohibits unusual or cruel punishments," remarked the court, judicially. "Mr. Officer, see that those gentlemen who are wont to have a toddy get theirs hereafter."

It became known this morning that Judge Allison, of the Chancery court, who was killed by Juror Whitworth a few years ago, was the father-in-law of Attorney General McCarn, who is prosecuting this case. He stands very high in the community, however, and is regarded as one of the best men yet selected.

Mrs. John D. Sharpe was the only relative of any of the defendants in court this morning when the proceedings began. Later Colonel Cooper's daughter and nieces arrived and greeted their kinsmen on trial affectionately.

A little later the attorneys asked time for conference and were granted forty minutes. Judge Hart then suggested that the jurors retire to their room where they could be more comfortable.

"Can they play cards?" asked the deputy.

"Yes and roll dice on the floor if they want to," retorted the court.

First Surprise of Trial.

When the conference was ended the first surprise of the trial was sprung in the form of affidavits filed by the State attacking the competency of one of the six jurors already chosen.

The document was offered by Attorney General McCarn, who said:

"It has come to our attention that J. S. Leigh, the second man chosen, was drunk the day he was chosen and was drunk the day before. The law disqualifies any man who has been drunk at any time since the term of court at which he serves has convened. We challenge him for case."

Judge Anderson, for the defense objected, and asked time to examine the affidavit. This was granted by the court.

Judge Jones ordered the examination of talesmen to proceed pending a decision as to the competency of Juror Leigh.

The incident appeared to make the State's attorneys more cautious and they began to question prospective jurors so closely that the defense objected to "argument with witnesses."

Captain Fitzhugh for the prosecution replied hotly that he must learn the disposition of the witness before he could judge whether or not to accept him. Each man thereafter was asked whether or not he drank and whether or not he got drunk.

One man said he drank often but got drunk only when he had nothing else to do. He declared his last celebration was fully six weeks ago. He was repected by the State.

Judge Hart Taken Suddenly Ill.

Shortly after adjournment of court this afternoon Judge Hart became suddenly ill and a pyhsician was summoned to attend him. Acute indigestion was the trouble and late this afternoon the judge was feeling much better. Dr. W. G. Ewing thinks Judge Hart will be able to call court to order at the usual time Monday morning.

A Horrible Hold-up.

"About ten years ago my brother was "held up" in his work, health and happiness by what was believed to be hopeless Consumption," writes W. R. Lipscomb, of Washington, N. C. "He took all kinds of remedies and treatment from several doctors, but found no help till he used Dr. King's New Discovery and was wholly cured by six bottles. He is a well man today." It's quick to relieve and the surest cure for weak or sour lungs, Hemorrhages, Coughs and Colds, Bronchitis, La Grippe, Ahthma and all Bronchial affections. 50c and $1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by R. R. Bellamy.

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AID FOR LABOR LEADERS

United Mine Workers Unanimously Agreed to Furnish Funds to Fight Contempt Cases to a Finish. Was Mitchell Day.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Indianapolis, Ind, Jan. 22.—This was John Mitchell day in the convention of the United Mine Workers of America, when the former president of the miners appeared on the stage of Tomlinson Hall, 300 delegates went wild with enthusiasm. Mr. Mitchell said:

"I feel keenly sensitive to the reception you have given me this day. It would seem that at least on a miners' convention, a former leader of laboring people loses none of his lustre because he is sentenced to jail."

Mr. Mitchell pictured what he considered the injustice of a system by which the "Constitutional rights of free speech and a free press were denied" and by which men could be deprived of their liberty without a trial by jury.

The injunction, Mr. Mitchell declared, was not at all bad, but he said it had been used as an instrument of oppression.

P. J. McLester, a delegate, moved that a petition be prepared and addressed to President Roosevelt protesting against Judge Wright's decision. It is to be signed by every delegate and officer in the convention.

Samuel Gompers sent the following message to the convention:

"Please convey to the delegates fraternal greetings and best wishes for a most successful convention. Now is the time that tries men's souls. Now is the time to more thoroughly organize and solidify the ranks of labor. Stand true for the cause of justice and human freedom."

On motion of President T. L. Lewis, the convention voted $2,500 as a preliminary aid for the defense of Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison in their contempt cases against them. The resolution adopted also instructed the miners' International Executive Board to appropriate in the future as much more as necessary to give these men proper recompense. The resolution was adopted unanimously.

Washington, Jan. 22.—"Stay in the game," flashed the United Mine Workers of America in a message from Indianapolis to President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor. The message referred to the fight of the Federation officials in the Bucks Stove and Range Company contempt case in which an appeal is now pending before the District of Columbia Court of Appeals for the sentences imposed on Messrs. Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison by Justice Wright of the District Supreme Court. The telegram read:

"1,350 delegates extend fraternal greetings, appropriated $2,500 for present needs and instructed the executive board to furnish more when needed.

"Stay in the game. Three hundred thousand black diamond artists are with you in this fight to a finish to determine our legal rights.

"(Signed)

"United Mine Workers of America."

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

Narrow Dimensions—Conditions Not Conducive to Activity.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 22.—The narrow dimensions of the stock market made its principal feature still today. The movement in United States Steel attracted a good deal of attention owing to the hopes that the usual strong sympathetic effect of this stock's action on the general list would prove effective in reviving the market. Yesterday's two point rise in United States Steel did in fact have the effect of bringing in some orders for the stock today, the result being a spread in the price of 1-8 at the opening on an extreme advance of 1-2. This carried it within a shade of 55, where it hesitated, owing to the very large selling orders awaiting it at that point.

Some of the railroad equipment stocks which are largely consumers of steel products showed some sympathy. Quite a varied list of industrial specialties rose briskly on newly awakened activity, for the most part unexplained by any news.

The rise in National Lead was coincident with another reduction in the price of copper and a decline in silver in the London market. Interior banks are said to be offering money in New York at concessions. This state of affairs is not deemed of hopeful import to the progress of business activity, and prices of stocks were inclined to yield after the publication of the cash estimates. The result was a show of losses at the end of the day, except in the notable cases of strength.

Bonds were steady. Total sales, par value, were $5,664,000. United States 2s declined 1-8 per cent. on call. Today's sales were 684,900 shares.

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Men's $12.00 RAINCOATS OR SUITS Reduced to 9.00
Men's $15.00 RAINCOATS OR SUITS Reduced to 11.25
Men's $16.50 RAINCOATS OR SUITS Reduced to 12.38
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